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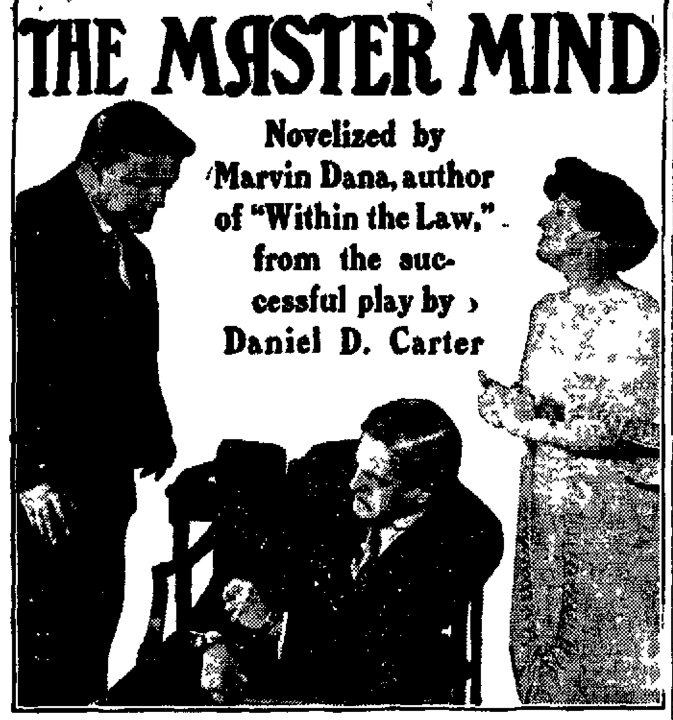

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WILLIAM SLOCOMB, alias Diamond Willie, alias Walter Blount, sat in the library of the house of which he was theoretically master and sought to divert his tedium by playing Canfield solitaire. Nominally he was indeed the head of the house, which had been taken in his name for the season, and he was about to entertain there his putative parents, come on a visit from their home in Laramie, Wyo As a matter of fact, however, Walter was a puppet in the hands of the man who was serving him as butler. That ingenious individual, by name Andrew Allen, had decided that this particular thief would fit admirably into his schemes. The accomplishment of his design was not difficult, since at just this time Walter was closely pursued by the Pinkertons for a recent offense against the law, and the offer of an asylum was welcome.

Andrew had maintained so much secrecy as to the nature of his plans that Walter's curiosity was provoked, and this soon drove him to dissatisfaction with the situation, in which he quite forgot his first relief over securing a safe refuge from danger. Instead he grew fretful over the dull routine of days and nights. He was dishonest by nature, a thief by choice. His slightly prognathous jaw showed merely moral degeneracy, not firmness of will. At twenty-five years of age he was a thorough paced scoundrel, willing for any crime, but incompetent. Nevertheless as yet his evil nature was not graven clearly in the lines of his face, which a careless observer might have deemed winningly boyish. Now as he sat erect in his dinner jacket by the table on which the cards were displayed he did justice by his appearance to the judgment of Andrew in this selection as the pseudo young gentleman of means come out of the west for a trial of the metropolitan life. He scowled heavily, and his jaw shot out sullenly as the trial of the cards proclaimed his luckiessness. He shot a baleful glance toward the *irreproachable manservant*, who for some time had been standing at a little distance in an attitude of patient deference.

"Well, Parker," he snapped, "what the devil are you standing around waiting for?"

"For you to finish the game, sir."

"And then what?"

"To take the cards away, sir"

The young man sneered.

"Oh, that's it, is it?" he drawled. "You're waiting to take the cards away"

"Yes, sir. Mr. Andrew's orders, sir"

The words, decorously spoken, were the last straw to the burden on Walter's patience. With an oath he seized the pack and threw it violently to the floor

"Well take them away, then!" he snarled, with an evil grin He sprang to his feet and moved about the room nervously for a minute.

'Say, you'' he cried. "You know who I am, don t you?' he demanded

And now there came a subtle change in the inflections of the menial's voice, though its respectful quality was still *in evidence* There was a vague suggestion of satisfaction in his tones as he answered

"Yes, sir"

Walter muttered a curse.

"Kept it to yourself mighty close, *didn't you?" he affirmed* rather than interrogated "Oh, I was on to you the minute I saw you" Walter spoke with some relaxation of his aggrieved manner, for it was a relief to cast off dis guise in the presence of this fellow "But this Mr Andrew—tell me, Parker, who is he, anyhow? What's his little game, eh?"

The anticipation of information from this source was not to be realized

"I have been with Mr Andrew for *some time, sir,"* he said with an increased precision of utterance and a reversion to his customary "sir" "I never ask questions. I simply obey orders, sir"

"He's got to show me," Walter stormed, "that's all He's got to show me what this game is about or I'll quit."

Walter's gaze followed in astonishment the figure of the servant as it went noiselessly out of the room, and not until it had vanished into the hall did he observe another form which was standing motionless just within the doorway—that of Andrew himself There was a dead silence while the Master Mind walked slowly forward until he stood close, face to face with his tool Though he wore a livery, as befitted his pretended place in the household, there was nothing of the servile in the clear cut face and the erect body as his keen gray eyes regarded speculatively the disconcerted youth before him. His tone was mild when he spoke, but he ran in it an undertone of menace.

"You won't continue?"

Walter had recourse to bluster.

"No, I won't!" he declared gruffly. "You heard me say it the first time, didn't you?"

"Very well, then," Andrew vouchsafed, still in that voice of ominous *calm. "I suppose that I must notify the Pinkertons so that you may return* to your former condition—the condition in which I found you Shall I?"

The young man labored to preserve an undaunted demeanor.

"At least," he vouchsafed sulkily, "I should know where I was."

"Oh, there could be no doubt as to that," Andrew conceded with a grim smile "And you would know your destination also for a certainty—Sing Sing"

Andrew wasted no time in pleading. Instead, he went to the telephone at one end of the long library table and spoke into the transmitter:

"Hello! Give me 100 Rector."

The voice of Walter sounded swiftly.

"Say, what's that number?"

The Master Mind turned from the telephone in leisurely fashion and regarded the young man with cold disdain. He placed a hand over the transmitter and replied with significant brevity, though quite without emphasis:

"The Pinkertons."

"Wait, Andrew; wait!" Walter cried desperately. "I'll stick," he said faintly.

Andrew put down the instrument and once again faced Walter. Now, his face was menacing. "Hereafter, please remember, Diamond, the next time I have occasion to *call you Diamond* Willie a Pinkerton will tap you on the shoulder."

Under the taunt the fickle mood of [illegible] — are you, anyhow?"

Instantly the Master Mind assumed the respectful demeanor of the faithful family retainer.

"Why, sir," he said gently, "I'm your confidential man and valet and butler you know, sir. Why, Master Walter, I have served *your* father for many years."

This reference diverted the victim's attention again to the general subject of his grievance over enforced ignorance

"Father, huh!" he exclaimed, with a jeering laugh "Say, when am I going to meet these fake parents and this sister of mine? Why shouldn't I

"You won't continue?"

be curious, I'd like to know? Answer me that. You've been drumming them into me all this time"

"On your table Walter, you will find a memorandum containing the instructions you are to follow when Mr Wainwright comes," was the reply

"Oh, that!" sneered Walter "I've been over it already a dozen times to day—for want of anything better to do in this dead and alive house of mine—not! But what's the use of it? Wainwright ain't coming"

"He will come," was the unperturbed answer. "He thinks you saved his life last night from the attack of some felon he had sent up the river."

"Well, suppose he does That doesn't prove that he'll come here"

The Master Mind smiled coldly

"Of course," he admitted, "you could hardly be expected to understand But he is a gentleman, Walter, and he will therefore come to thank you"

The thief flushed hotly under the unveiled insult of the words, but he showed no disposition to resent it.

"How can he?" he persisted. "According to your instructions, I beat it right after the shooting Wainwright hardly got a glimpse of me, much less of my name and address, I'm thinking"

"I attended to that," Andrew answered.

Walter voiced apprehension in another direction

"That fellow ain't no rummy," he objected querulously. "Say, if I'd ever known the game was against Wainwright I wouldn't have come in The Pinkertons would be just as safe, believe me Whenever he went after a man he got him They say he even got the goods on the Master Mind somehow and has him buffaloed. Anyhow the Master Mind went out of business and hasn't been heard of for years. And you must know what he was. There wasn't anything he couldn't pull off till Wainwright came along."

"Yes, I've heard of him." Andrew admitted.

Walter went on, speaking with enthusiasm.

"Why, that fellow was the cleverest this country ever produced," he declared, with sincere admiration in his voice. "I tell you he only touched the high spots—banks, corporations, the classiest things going. The men that worked for him even never got their lamps on him, and the bulls never had nothing on him. And then Wainwright got after him and threw a scare into him so he up and got cold feet and quit. So what chance you got? Huh!"

"That question need not concern you *in the least,* Walter. *It is* sufficient for you that I have guaranteed your safety." He paused as Parker appeared in the doorway waiting for his attention.

"Mr. and Mrs. Blount have arrived, sir," *Parker explained.* "They are in the drawing room, sir"

"Tell *them* that I shall see them at once," Andrew directed. "Let me know instantly when Miss Blount arrives." He nodded dismissal to the *servant and turned again to the fuming* young man opposite him. His voice sounded in sharp command, "You, Walter, will go to your room at once and study the memorandum until I send for you to meet your parents."

As he passed into the drawing room Andrew cast one swift glance toward [illegible] ceptible smile a tiny shimmer of blue light that shone from the solitaire diamond placed there in readiness for the coming of his guests. The husband was a large man, of plethoric form and a *strong,* rough, *rugged face,* redly tanned by outdoor airs, the tint more florid from good cheer. His expression was kindly, after a rude fashion of its *own,* and *with a pervasive suggestion* of force, under which the latent weak ness was with difficulty discernible

The woman, however, was less com plex, tall and handsome in a flamboy ant way, with no trace whatsoever of intellectuality or spiritual development merely an easy going, pleasure loving creature, untroubled by scruples of con science Both betrayed an acute anx iety in this moment of meeting with the Master Mind, though neither had any suspicion as to his identity since they knew him only as Mr. Andrew.

CHAPTER V.

Getting Acquainted.

"WELL, Andrew, we're here' Blount said rather inanely after a short period of si lence 'How long s the game going to keep us in New York?

"Why?" Andrew asked sharply.

"Why—er—that is, you know"—

Andrew interrupted reassuringly:

"You need have no fear of the au thorities I shall protect you There can be no trouble for you if you are discreet Your only danger lies in curiosity and in disregarding my instructions."

Blount whirled toward his wife with a sigh of relief.

"Get that, Sadie?" he demanded, with a note of marital authority in his heavy voice. "Just you remember it, or else you'll be back in Joliet doing those fancy stitches on bed ticking"

The woman nodded assent.

"I certainly got that," she affirmed in a rich, throaty voice, modified by a faint twang "But I been honest so long now I'm actually beginning to feel honest—inside And, what's more and I never did think it could be anyways possible but you can shoot me if I ain't kind of beginning to—to like it!"

Andrew gave no heed to this virtuous confession

"You are about to meet the boy whom I have selected for your son A word of warning—don't trust him!"

"Does he know anything about our record?" Blount inquired doubtfully

Andrew s reply was explicit

"He knows no more of you than you do of him If you value your safety you will bear in mind my advice—that you keep him in ignorance' He stepped to a bell call set in the wall and pushed the button 'Now, your son will be here in a moment. You have only to remember what I have said I shall leave you two alone with him for a little while"

Then steps sounded in the hall, and Walter appeared in the doorway There was a sarcastic inflection in Andrew's voice as he made the introductions with a wave of his hand

"Walter, your father—your mother Mr and Mrs. Blount, your son."

Without another word he turned and went out of the room

It was Blount who first spoke With a bluff cheeriness of greeting in his heavy voice, he said

"Well, well' How are you, son?" He smiled a genial welcome

Walter replied briskly in kind.

"Fine, dad!"

A snort of indignation from Mrs Blount interrupted the complacency of the two men who turned toward her interrogatively.

"What's the matter, mother?" the husband questioned, with a touch of solicitude in his manner.

The wife in her turn assumed a pose suited to the event and spoke in tones broken with emotion.

"This is all so—so affecting!"

"Huh!" Walter ejaculated huffily. "I guess"—

Mrs. Blount interrupted:

"Father, why don't you introduce me to my son?"

"Sure do!" Walter remarked, with a grimace. "I'm just dying to meet mother."

Blount cleared his throat impressively and spoke with a bow as low as a generous paunch would permit.

"Mother," he said tenderly, "this is our son—our only son to this date, Walter."

Mrs. Blount beamed roguishly.

"Ain't he the cute little son!" she gushed. "Oh, sonny!" She advanced with fond haste toward the disconcerted Walter, with the evident intention of bestowing on him a chaste embrace

"Aw, cut that out!" the son cried, disgustedly as he drew back in alarm before the threatened onslaught.

"Why, Walter!"

"Oh, thunder!" Walter expostulated. "Say, what's the use of that bunk?"

Mrs. Blount spoke seriously now.

"No use, of course," she admitted gravely "It's funny, though," she added, a little wistfully; "just for a minute I felt, somehow, like you might be my boy, sure enough—the one I never had. Ain't that the limit now?"

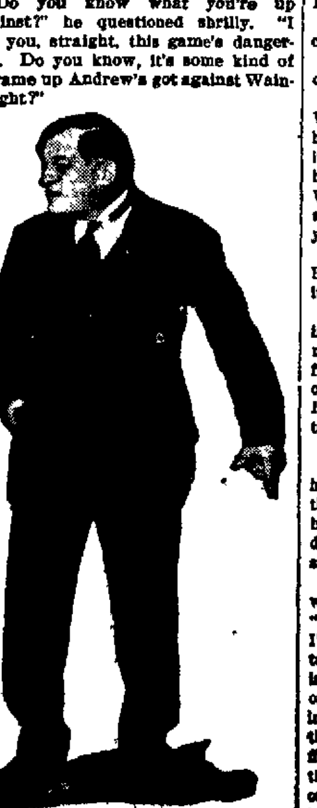
"Well, I ain't!" the young man declared crossly "So we'll cut out the cuddling. See?"

Mrs Blount's humorous sense of the situation caused her again to speak.

"I can t see that he's changed a mite, dad," she remarked, with a mellow gurgle of laughter.

"Aw, cut that!" Walter insisted sullenly.

"Do you know what you're up against?" he questioned shrilly. "I tell you, straight, this game's dangerous. Do you know, it's some kind of a frame up Andrew's got against Wainwright?"



"Got that, Sadie?"

"Wainwright!" Blount cried, aghast at this disquieting statement as to the thing in which he had become involved "You don't meant the one here—the one that was district attorney?"

"That's just the guy I mean," was the savage assurance

Blount showed symptoms of alarm. His ruddy face grayed a little, and the heavy flesh of the jowls sagged.

"It don't look good to me," Blount confessed somberly "What's the idea?"

Walter shook his head in admission of ignorance

"All I know is that he's got it in for Wainwright.' Again he shook his head 'That's all I know. Whatever it is, it s something fierce If you don't believe me just mention the name of Wainwright some time when he's around You watch him then, and you'll see, all right."

By a great effort of self control Blount reassumed his manner of geniality.

"Well, well'" he exclaimed patronizingly. *"I really must look into this* matter, quite in the interests of my friend. You know, I'm an old friend of Andrew's, and merely to oblige him I've agreed to adopt a son and daughter for a few weeks."

Mrs. Blount spoke aggressively.

"Yes, John," she said, "and you know he absolutely assured us that the whole thing was only a harmless joke." She hesitated slightly, then continued doubtfully, "But if it's as Walter says"— She broke off, frowning.

"Listen here, son," he said presently, with a return to his kindlier manner. "If I'm going to be a father to you I've got to be it all the time, that's certain—not merely when somebody else is around. I can't be a fond father one minute and then be hating your insides the next, although when this thing is all over I might feel some different—yes! But as long as we're on this game I'm going to think a heap of you. Yes, that's the program, and it's got to be carried out no matter how much it hurts me."

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Walter went forward a step toward the older man, with his jaw thrust out a little farther than usual, and shrugged his shoulders contemptuously.

"I've got you doped out all right," he said.

Blount sat erect, much surprised at the other's attitude of displeasure as well as by the utterance itself.

"Doped out!" he exclaimed.

Walter chuckled malevolently

"I haven't got you placed exactly," he admitted, "but I've got your class all right. Do you get me?"

Blount bounced heavily to his feet. His expression was suddenly grown sinister

"My class?" he repeated blusteringly.

Walter maintained his evil satisfaction.

"I'd be willing to bet you a hundred that you wouldn't put your Bertillon on a piece of wax"

Blount leaped forward with a lithe swiftness astonishing in one of his bulk.

"D—— you!" he said very softly, but with an intensity more vehement than mere sound. "Now, you look here—and look mighty close' My name is John Blount. I'm your father. There's your mother I'm from Laramie, Wyo

"Now, you look here!"

They respect us out there. Under stand That goes as it lays They're going to run me for mayor next spring and my wife here is president of the Mothers club You can look up our record there right through for the last four years We've lived straight, and we're going to remain straight. Now let me tell you something else If you want to look any further back than that you're looking for trouble—and a chance to get croaked!"

There was a deadly ferocity in the tones.

'Aw, you needn't get so sore about it," Walter urged quaveringly

Blount spoke again

"It looks to me as if we were likely to be together for some time to come As far as I know, you're just Walter Blount. Outside of Walter Blount I don't know who you are, and I don't care either"

Walter strove again to placate the man whom he had so seriously offended.

"Aw, I was just kidding," he protested weakly His attempt at a propitiatory smile was tremulous.

Of a sudden a new curiosity stirred in Walter

"And the girl—that skirt—my sister, you know! What is she?" he demanded. "Is she one of us?"

"She's only been with us a week,' Mrs Blount explained. 'Came from across the pond, so how can we tell?"

Said Blount

"We don't know a darned thing about the girl except that she's our daughter. That's all we're supposed to know, and it's all we need to know, at that." A sudden memory moved in the husband's brain, and he continued with increased sternness, "And another thing—don't you dare again to act like you did today at lunch. There we were a-dining at the Waldorf with fine people, and me a-bragging about our big ranches and our beautiful home out west. And then I caught you trying to cop a spoon, so that I had to kick you under the table" An old instinct revived from the association of ideas, and he added petulantly, "And it was a plated one, at that!"

"What's the odds?" she demanded very spiritedly. "Lots of perfectly respectable people take things like that at hotels just for souvenirs Why, I know a lady that hasn't got two towels alike in her whole house. And she's real rich too"

Walter reverted to the subject of prime interest to him.

"And the girl?" he insisted. He gazed at Blount eagerly. "Do you think Andrew has anything on the girl, like he has on us?"

In an instant Blount had leaped close, his face furious with passion.

"Andrew hasn't anything on us!" he hissed.

A flash of anger gave fleeting courage to Walter.

"Huh!" he exclaimed scornfully. "Don't try and slip anything like that over!"

Andrew came in from the next room and stood directly between the two men. Then he addressed them with contemptuous coldness

"If through jealousy and bickering you fail to act your parts so that in consequence my plans miscarry, it will count against you far more than would mere disobedience What was the cause of this row?"

Blount pointed to Walter.

"Ask the whelp!"

"I was just kidding—that's all!"

"Take care, sir," Andrew said harshly. "One of these days my patience will be exhausted." He waited a moment, surveying the youth with a lashing stare. Then, abruptly, he doffed his dominant manner and in its stead assumed the pose of the respected servitor. He bowed humbly to Walter, [illegible]

"Why not snow your rather through the house, sir?" he suggested.

At once, without any trace of embarrassment, he took the part assigned to him

"Sure!" he exclaimed, boyishly aglow with pride in the new possession of this city home. He beamed on the bewildered Blount. "Come on, dad!" he urged boisterously. "You'll sure find this place all to the good."

CHAPTER VI.

Lucene.

MRS. BLOUNT possessed the feminine trait of curiosity. She made a dawdling round of the room, scrutinizing every detail of its arrangement. At the very last she came to the little table, toward which Andrew had glanced to note the shimmer of blue light By instinct her eyes went straight to the ring on the instant of her approach. As she beheld the lusters of the jewel her handsome face suddenly flamed with greed, and she uttered an ejaculation of delight. For long seconds she contemplated the glittering bauble with rapture, bending her face ever closer and closer as under a spell Then, in a sudden realization of her avaricious thought, she started guiltily, and peered about the room with furtive glances, to make sure that none spied upon her Again, she studied the stone with a sensuous ecstasy in its prismed brilliance, again she tore her eyes from its charm, and now she moved from it in resolute effort to escape temptation But the old habit of life dragged her back to the table, and she put forth a covetous hand, seized the ring, carried it to her bosom, smiling

But very soon her mood veered. The smile vanished from her full lips Her expression became that of poignant grief By slow degrees the hand that held the ring moved from her breast, reached to the table, set the jewel back in its place. It was at this moment that Andrew re entered. At sight of him Mrs Blount realized with a shudder how narrow had been the margin of her escape from detection in the very act of theft. She pointed toward the little table and spoke with a catch in her voice

"Andrew, just look at what you left on that table there It's a good thing there haven't been any strangers in the house with that lying around loose'

Andrew crossed to the table and picked up the ring There was a faint smile on his closely set lips as he turned and went to the woman He extended the ring with a slight bow

"Mrs Blount he said pleasantly "allow me' Andrew nodded assent as he dropped the ring into her itching palm "Only a word of counsel," he said "Remember that who I am and what my exact intentions may be are of no interest to you So be careful' Having thus admonished her he left her alone to her happiness

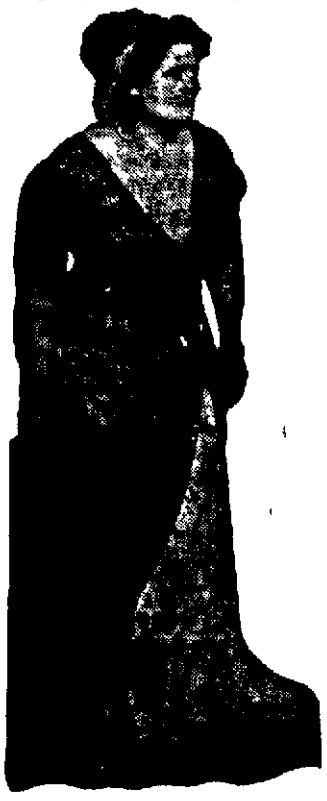
And Mrs Blount, watching the luxurious play of the varicolored rays from the diamond, murmured contentedly in the softest notes of her throaty voice

"Gee! It sure pays to be honest."

The servant soon announced to Andrew the arrival of Miss Blount and was directed to show the young lady into the library as soon as she should be ready for an interview

Andrew descended to the library with an eagerness of expectancy that was almost disconcerting to himself He ordered Parker, whom he found already stationed in the hall, to maintain the privacy of the library, to bring Walter on hearing the bell And at last a delicate rustling of draperies sounded at the door, and Lucene entered

The girl stopped short at sight of the man, arrested for a moment by the stress of emotion No least trace of Maggie Flint, nursemaid and convict, remained visible in the poised loveliness of this gentle maiden. The promise of her beauty had been most nobly fulfilled. She was of dainty fairness, with a golden crown of locks like corn silk in the sun, as lustrous, as finely spun The exquisite features, set in the perfect oval of the face, were pearl



"It sure pays to be honest."

pure of coloring, save where the blood that blushed in cheeks and deepened [illegible]

At his smile Lucene came to him swiftly.

"Oh, at last!" she exclaimed.

His smile grew as he spoke:

"You're not going to be lonesome for France, are you, Lucene?"

"Indeed, no!" was the joyous answer, given with a half disdainful pout of the red lips. "I was happy enough there But, after all, it wasn't America—it wasn't home'

Now since her first strong emotion at the meeting was past, Lucene was constrained to astonishment over something strange and unexpected in the appearance of the man before her.

"Why Mr Andrew," she said, with some show of confusion over her own temerity, 'how odd you look! What is it? Oh, yes, of course! It's your

"You mean, without letting him know?" In her eagerness the girl looked up into Andrew's face.

"Yes" came the glib explanation 'You see Lucene, that's what these old clothes of mine mean You will please remember that for the present I am merely Andrew Watkins your brother's valet and confidential man"

"Oh, Mr Andrew" she objected with some embarrassment, "don't you see that you're asking me to deceive him?"

"My dear little girl," he declared gently "I am only doing my best to give you a fair chance of happiness'

The Master Mind walked away from his ward to where the call button was set in the wall He pushed it to notify Parker that it was time for Walter's presence in the library

Walter came into the room with curiosity writ large on his boyish face

Andrew addressed the girl suavely

"Permit me, Lucene to introduce to you your brother, Mr Walter Blount."

Walter strode forward and heartily shook the hand she reluctantly yielded to his proffered clasp

"How do you do, Luce?" he exclaimed, with a brotherly familiarity highly distasteful to her

Andrew frowned as he watched the airy intimacy of manner assumed by

"Does he remember me?"

Walter. He again touched the bell call and spoke to Lucene.

"Parker will take you to Mrs. Blount," he said.

The girl went rather hastily out of the room

The face of Andrew was forbidding as he spoke to Walter

"You perceive" he said sharply "that this young lady is not of your class. You must understand that thoroughly, and you must remember it, sir Never presume'

The thief scowled heavily

Andrew continued

"When Wainwright comes and the conversation begins, you must bear in mind my written directions for your guidance." He went close to the door into the hall "Now, if I stand in the position corresponding to this in the drawing room, then, according to your instructions, in my memorandum for you, what form of conversation must you adopt?"

Walter answered with the alert confidence of a schoolboy, sure that his lesson has been well conned:

"The lonely stranger gag."

Andrew moved to the end of the library table and paused there.

"And if I stand by the large table there?" he demanded.

"The gay White Way."

The teacher went to one of the windows at the end of the room.

"And here?"

"The hard to get acquainted gag But just the same, you'll find this work all for nothing," Walter declared aggressively, in a new access of rebellion.

Parker appeared in the doorway, announcing visitors.

"Mr. Wainwright, sir, and Dr. Forbes, asking for Mr. Walter Blount."

(To be continued next week.)

PORT ORANGE.

PORT ORANGE, Aug 31 — John Glass of Palatka, has been spending a few days' vacation here visiting his friends Mr Glass lived in this vicinity some years ago and has many friends here who are always glad to chat with him

Mrs E L Winter has been enjoying the pleasure of a visit from her sister, Mrs Claude Patterson, of Geneva

Mrs Warren Morgan who has been visiting relatives in Orlando is home again

J L Patillo has enrolled with the great army of Ford owners, having recently bought an auto of that make, which he plans to convert into a delivery truck in the near future

Mrs E J Kasserman has returned from a visit to her mother in New ton, Illinois

Mrs J L Bailey went to Jacksonville on Friday, returning on Sunday after a pleasant trip and visit with the Brocks, who spent last winter at Allandale, where they have a winter home

The "Good Times" club was entertained this week by Mrs T M Bangs who dispensed the usual free-hearted hospitality for which the members are noted and which makes the meetings a pleasure to attend

One of our Port Orange boys having business at the county seat, took his 'best girl" along for a ride, and to call on a lady friend, with whom both were intimate It is alleged that near the court house the gentleman inquired where Mr Soandso lived 'You mean Rev Soandso?" 'Yes" The desired information was given, and amid the smiles of the bystanders who supposed the minister was the one sought for, they motored away, not a little confused Some of the boys think it funny to ask 'James' where Rev Soandso lives

S G Martin has gone to visit his parents at Hawthorne to recuperate as he has not been feeling well recently

wo Kinds of Smartness.

"One trouble out our way," said Uncle Eben is dat it takes an intirely diffunt kind o smartness to git a political job fum what it takes to till de office creditably'

Collars for Convicts.

One of the latest reform schemes at Sing Sing is that of letting prisoners dress up on Sunday "One of the men was wearing the first white collar he had worn in ten years," Assistant Warden Johnson is quoted as saying. "And he spent the whole of Easter morning telling how good it felt." It is said that now if the men can afford it, they may on Sunday go as far as they like, even to silk underwear and fur overcoats

PROF. CATE TO CONDUCT A FALL PARTY

Prof W B Cate who recently conducted such a successful special train party of over one hundred and sixty people to the Panama-Pacific exposition and the Golden West, is organising a grand fall tour to leave Jacksonville on September 7th A most excellent itinerary has been planned and a large number of Floridians are availing themselves of this opportunity to visit the wonderful west in this ideal manner

The party will be gone for nearly four weeks and will take many interesting side trips enroute They will visit both expositions and stop in Chattanooga, St Louis, Denver, Colorado Springs, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco and Chicago, taking sight seeing and side trips in all theseo places

The cost of the trip, including railroad fare, Pullman, hotel bills, meals, admission to the grounds and in fact all necessary expenses is $175.00 from Jacksonville.

The party will leave Jacksonville over the Atlantic Coast Line using the Dixie Flyer route and the well known Louisville & Nashville railroad from Nashville to St Louis on the going trip, and from Evansville to Nashville on the return. They will return via Chicago and spend some time there.

Between Love and Duty.

Sweet Young Wife (to special constable, about to go on duty)—"Well, dear, if you don't take Tiny, will you promise me that if you see a burglar or a street fight, you won't interfere?" —London Opinion.

The Turn Down.

One of the latest fads is for a young woman to wear the name of her fiance embroidered on the ankle of her stocking And I suppose if they ever fall out she simply turns the hose on him. —Youngstown Telegram

Florida East Coast Railway Co.

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21 Daily	41 Daily	37 Daily	53 Daily	39 Daily	In Effect April 6th, 1915		20 Daily	56 Daily	38 Daily	40 Daily	22 Daily
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See Note A			8 30 PM		Ar Havana	Lv		9 20 AM		.....	See Note B

*Trains 55 and 56 are not operated south of Miami on Sundays

Note A—P & O steamships sail for Havana Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday only

Note B—P. & O steamships sail from Havana Monday Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday only

Trains 29 and 30—The Miami Local, between Jacksonville and Miami. Pullman buffet buffet parlor car, and First Class coach for white and colored, mail, baggage and express cars, make all stops.

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303 Daily ex Sun.	301 Daily ex Sun	ORANGE CITY BRANCH		302 Daily ex Sun	304 Daily ex Sun
3 40 PM	8.30 AM	Lv New Smyrna	Ar	1 05 PM	7.30 PM
4 00 PM	10.30 AM	Lv Lake Helen	Lv	12 10 PM	4.30 PM
4.53 PM	11 05 AM	Ar Orange City	Lv	11 55 AM	3 25 PM
5 00 PM	11.30 AM	Ar Orange City J	Lv	11 50 AM	3 15 PM

139 Daily ex Sun	ENTERPRISE BRANCH			140 Daily ex Sun
8 45 AM	Lv	Titusville	Ar	1.30 PM
9 40 AM	Lv	Maytown. .	Lv	12 42 PM
9 45 AM	Ar ..	Enterprise	Lv	11 42 AM
10 00 AM	Ar	Enterprise Junc n	Lv	11 30 AM

131 Daily ex Sun	KISSIMMEE VALLEY BRANCH		132 Daily ex Sun.
4 00 PM	Lv.....	Titusville	Ar 1.00 PM
5 10 PM	Lv . . .	Maytown	Lv 12.01 PM
5.52 PM	Lv	Geneva	Lv 11.08 AM
6 15 PM	Lv ..	Chulota	Ar 10.40 AM
6 40 PM	Lv	Bithlo	Ar 10.15 AM
6.54 PM	Lv	Pointaw	Ar 10.00 AM
7 58 PM	Ar	Holopaw	Lv 9.00 AM
8 49 PM	Ar .	Kenansville	Lv 8.10 AM
9 49 PM	Lv	Osceola	Lv 7.10 AM
10 05 PM	Lv	Fort Drum	Lv 6.54 AM
11 00 PM	Ar	Okeechobee	Lv 6.00 AM

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"DEEP WATER," Our Slogan.

A good, hard surfaced road across the county from the East Coast ferry to Coronado is what the people of this section want, and they will be satisfied with nothing less.

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In the flow of water now coming from the new city well the city council has been vindicated in its action in contracting for the sinking of the well The water is claimed to be as good as could have been obtained from any of the wells previously considered as sources of supply, the location of the well is handy to the reservoir and the stand pipe and the expensive piping from outside of the city limits has been eliminated

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Coronado as a summer resort has enjoyed a better business this summer than for a number of seasons past and there is every indication that the popularity of Coronado as an ideal place in which to spend the hot summer months will continue to grow. Reports from other beach resorts are that the summer business has not been up to expectations, goes to show that with a little encouragement Coronado will set a pace in growing that will make her hard to catch by other beach resorts Given a good, hard surfaced road directly from the interior by way of the East Coast ferry as a booster, and there will be such a demand for summer accommodations at Coronado the town will be bound to grow to keep pace with the demand Every citizen of this town and this vicinity who works against that East Coast ferry road is working directly against the interests of the city and his own interests

Miss Delia Ridge went to Jacksonville yesterday for a visit with relatives

E E Ireland is enjoying a stay of some time in Hendersonville, North Carolina.

Mrs W. R. Mathews and son Howard will leave today for a visit of a few days with relatives in Savannah.

Ernest Hendry and Merwin Wooten drove up from Cocoa Sunday and spent the day at the J H. Hibbard home.

Mrs C R. Roach and children returned Thursday from a visit of two months at Lakeland and Okeechobee.

Master Ross Armstrong, who has been on the west coast for the last three months, returned to his home here Monday.

Miss Hazel Johnson, who has been a guest of Miss Fearn Hibbard for several days, returned Wednesday to her home in Cocoa.

County Solicitor Roy Hamlin and family came over from DeLand Wednesday and will spend a couple of weeks at Coronado

Mrs H N Robertson returned Monday from a visit of two weeks with relatives and friends in Chattanooga and Savannah

Lester Robertson accompanied his brother LeRoy back to Jacksonville Monday for a visit of a week in the metropolis of the state.

Mrs Charles Hathaway and children left yesterday for points in the north, planning to be gone for the remainder of the summer

L O Larson, who took the place of Carl W Hawkins as cashier of the Fidelity bank, while the latter was away on his vacation, has returned to his home in St Augustine

Friends of Mrs Grace Julian Clarke, of Indianapolis, who spent last winter here, will be glad to learn that she expects to spend two or three months in Florida this winter and hopes to be in New Smyrna a part of the time Mrs. Clarke writes that she may spend the greater part of the time on the west coast this season

Meinhardi Gets Auto Ride—

Mr and Mrs. Vienstra of Grand Rapids are guests at the home of Mr and Mrs W E Osmun. On Wednesday they all autoed to Hart to visit ex-Judge and Mrs. F. J Russell Dr E J. Meinhardi was also one of the party—Montague (Mich) Observer

ROAD IN SOUTH END OF VOLUSIA COUNTY IS CALLED A CRIME.

Editor New Smyrna News

In last week's News I notice where someone gives you the information that the roads to the south are in bad condition

So far as Volusia county is concerned this information is absolutely right, for after turning at Day's corner, south of Oak Hill, until you reach the county line the road is not only bad, but I should call it a crime, punishable by life imprisonment

Any man who permits himself to be called a county commissioner, who has spent more money during the last year than any other commissioner, and who compels people to take their lives into their hands when they drive over such excuses for roads, absolutely dangerous, should be very severely dealt with.

Beginning at the Brevard county line and from there on south, excepting where repairs or new short cuts are being built, the roads are excellent, and the further south you get the better they are, until you reach Miami, where they can not be called roads, but should be called boulevards

To verify this let me say that we left Daytona on Thursday morning at 5 30 o'clock and arrived in Palm Beach the same evening at 7 10, taking out about two hours and fifty minutes for meals, changing tires and sight seeing

The distance covered, as registered by our speedometer, was 210 miles, which does not bear out the statement made in your paper that the roads are not in good condition especially as we made the return trip in forty minutes less time.

Respectfully,
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Daytona, Fla, Aug 30, 1915

Business School Head Coming—

A H Perry, president of the Southern Business college in Miami, has sent word here that he will be in New Smyrna soon to personally consider the matter of establishing a business college in this city. The Miami school was in the fire in that city last week Wednesday night and the head of the school has been busy since that time getting affairs straightened out He believes New Smyrna offers a splendid location for such a school

Winter Weather Up North—

C W Pennel, writing from Pennel wood, the Pennel summer place near Berrien Springs, Mich, says in a recent letter that the weather there this summer has been just about such as we had here last winter, and that they have never seen so little sunshine as during the present season. The family is planning to return here as usual for the winter, but there is a possibility that the brother's family may not come

RAN INTO FALLEN TREE, WRECKED CAR AND HURT OCCUPANTS PAINFULLY.

N. P. Thompson, a real estate dealer of Titusville, returning to his home from Daytona last Monday, with his family in the car, had a narrow escape from death when his car ran into a tree across the road The storm Monday blew five trees directly across the road and the one Mr Thompson struck was the first one of the five The road was full of water and he thought the tree was a stream until within less than 15 feet of it and then he could not stop the car in the mud within that distance. Mrs Thompson was thrown forward, striking the radiator, and received a stunning blow over the heart. She is still confined to her bed. Carlyle Thompson received a bump on his head, and the occupants of the car following, R. J. Glenn and family, were simply thrown out into the road. Mr. Thompson's car was wrecked, all the spokes of the front wheels being torn out and the front axle being bent to an angle of 45 degrees.

C. G. Herrick made a business trip to Sanford Wednesday

Interest in Proposed Band—

At a meeting of a number of the young men of the city who are interested in the matter of organizing a cornet band in New Smyrna, held in the News office Tuesday evening, it was decided to sound the sentiment of the business men on the proposition, ascertain what instruments are available and what can be done about obtaining an experienced instructor to take hold of the band for the winter season. Another meeting will be held next Tuesday evening to further discuss the proposition

Moses Meeks' Wife Dead—

One of the largest funerals held in New Smyrna recently was that of the wife of Moses Meeks, one of the best known among the colored residents of the city, held Tuesday afternoon The woman was taken ill suddenly and died within a few hours Gall stones and a complication of other diseases is given as the cause of death

Stars Entertain Masons—

Members of the Dolores chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, entertained the Masons and their wives at an informal social gathering in memory of Robert Morris, founder of the Order of Eastern Star, in the Masonic hall last Monday night The social affair was entirely informal, and was thoroughly enjoyed by those present Refreshments were served

FLORIDA WATERWAYS.

A water route across Florida that would shorten the sailing distance between Europe, the Atlantic seaboard and the ports of the Gulf has been a dream for ages. Now it is near realization

In the draining of the Everglades, that region of swamp and misery, work upon which was begun eight years ago, so much progress has been made that the end is in sight of the 275 miles of canal necessary to be dug, 150 have been completed and 105 are well on the way to completion While these canals will drain the Everglades, still other work is necessary to free the region from inundation when Lake Okeechobee overflows its banks. To overcome the Okeechobee menace a big canal is to be dug from the lake to the Atlantic

When this canal is finished it will form, with Lake Okeechobee and the Caloosahatchee Canal and River, a navigable waterway across the State.

The Florida canals were designed to reclaim about five million acres of land. Little was thought of the possibility of their use by the carriers of the commerce of the sea, yet today it is considered possible they will serve more in that way if they are deepened and broadened than in the opening of the swamp lands to agricultural development.

You Know It.

The man who really practices what he preaches does mighty little preaching.

Why Flats Are Popular.

People are still trying to answer the question of why apartment houses are so popular, but the answer should come, it would seem, without much of a struggle. It is simple. It is due to the ambition of people to have beautiful surroundings, the difficulty of securing domestic help and the growing indolence of the human race. It is not quite fair to talk about the indolence of the human race when it seems that every man and every woman's time is taxed to the utmost with affairs of one kind or another to which they are compelled to give attention. They have so many things to do that they do not get time to do the things they would like to do. This is a city argument. It will not apply to the small city to such a great extent.—Construction News.

Crystal Springs people predict the record will be broken in adding members to the colony during the coming winter

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Actual construction of sand-oil roads, for which Lake county recently bonded for $500,000, has begun in the Eustis district

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Fashoin Week is to be one of the attractions in Miami during the first week in November, and at that time all of the stores in the Magic City will be dressed up in their finest and most fashionable attire The plan is being worked out in detail by a special committee of the merchants' bureau of the chamber of commerce.

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In assessing the taxes of Orlando for the ensuing year, the city council decided on a publicity fund of one mill The levy includes nine mills for general purposes and four mills for bonds and sinking fund The taxable values are realty, $4,644,270; personal, $808,870; railways, telegraphs and telephone, $171,623; making a total of $5,619,863 This is an increase of $267,559 over last year

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Commissioner Belcher of the Dixie Highway association sticks for the Melbourne route of the western branch of the highway, and in a letter to Commissioner Saxon, published in the Melbourne Times, he says he "cannot concur in the western route of the Dixie Highway (as outlined by Saxon) through the counties of Lafayette, Madison, Jefferson and Leon, joining the main line at Tallahassee"

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The new brick road which Orange county is building on the Eustis Orlando route is very fine and is being greatly appreciated by the motoring public. The road is now open from Orlando to a point within about two miles of Apopka, and will be continued to Plymouth. With Lake's sand oil road to the Orange county line, there will be but a short link in Orange county between Eustis and Orlando that will not be paved

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Eustis will in the near future have a new postoffice building and equipment as well as a new postmaster W S McClelland, president of the First State Bank, announces that he is going to erect a two-story building on the site occupied by Malusky's meat market, which was formerly occupied by the First State Bank prior to their going into the handsome three story McClelland building The ground floor will be used exclusively for postoffice purposes.

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Another new phosphate company is being organized in south Florida to be known as the Seminole Phosphate Company with headquarters at Mulberry W F Walker, a well-known chemist and expert in the phosphate business, is president, J N Hooker, president of the State Bank of Bartow, is vice-president, and E N Morrow, cashier of the Bank of Safety Harbor, is secretary Most of the product will be sold direct to the farmer for fertilizer The capital stock of the company is placed at $50,000

EFFORT BEING MADE TO FIND MAN RECENTLY HERE.

EDEN, Fla., Sept. 1.—F. P. Wilson of this place left here two weeks ago with a Jacksonville traveling man, leaving him at New Smyrna. From that city he went to Sanford and then to Tavares He wrote to his wife from New Smyrna and Tavares, saying he was going to Eustis. That was the last heard from him, and he was expected to return home from Eustis It is thought that he has either lost his identity or is ill somewhere. Inquiry has been made at various places, but no trace of him has been found

When he left home he was suffering from headaches and dizziness, caused by a blow on the back of his head from a falling cocoanut. Doctors says he is suffering from a loss of memory, from a kind of creeping concussion of the brain, which has come on very gradually, and he has probably lost his identity.

Any information as to his whereabouts will be gratefully received by his wife or J. Howard Letourneau at Eden, Fla.

William IV and Buckingham Palace.

How much William IV disliked Buckingham palace is shown by a passage in the diary of Lord Brougton, who was first commissioner of works in 1834, when the houses of parliament were burned down. Two days after the fire Broughton records: "Went to St. James, and saw his majesty I cannot say he was much affected by the calamity at having the opportunity of getting rid of Buckingham palace; said he meant it as a permanent gift for parliament houses, and that it would be the finest thing in Europe. At three o'clock the king and queen came, and went over the ruins of the two houses . The king looked gratified as if at a show, and perhaps to the prospect of getting rid of Buckingham palace Just before getting into his carriage he called the speaker and me to him, and said, 'Mind! I mean Buckingham palace as a permanent gift' Mind that!'"

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The WEEK'S DOINGS

*Let Herrick fix it.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo M. Saxon, Friday, August 27, a fine baby boy.

Drew Almond arrived from Texas Tuesday night for a stay with his family here

*NO. 666 will cure Chills and fever It is the most speedy remedy we know

Mrs. J H. Ridge and children returned Monday from a stay of two months in Tennessee and Kentucky

V N Ashton went to St Augustine Saturday and returned with his wife, who has been visiting in the Ancient City

D P Smith and family, who have been spending several weeks at the beach, moved back to the city this week.

D. N. Disbennett and family, who have been occupying the Goodwin cottage on the beach for the last two weeks, moved back to town this week

Mr. and Mrs. G L. Branning have returned from Coronado, where they have been spending three weeks at the Atlantic house, and Mr. Branning has resumed his place in the State bank.

LeRoy Robertson, who is employed as a boilermaker in the railroad shops in Jacksonville, came down Saturday to spend a short time at the home of his parents, Mr and H N. Roberston

*All work guaranteed by Herrick.

Miss Stella Botts came over from DeLand Friday for a visit with Mrs. Herman Andrews.

Mrs W H Coombs and little son left Wednesday for a stay of two weeks with relatives in Lake City.

Mrs G B Thomas and two children returned Friday from a visit of two weeks in Hastings and St Augustine

Mrs Wilbur Griffin and baby left Monday for West Palm Beach to spend a few days with Mr Griffin s sister, Mrs Schien

J R Ellis is enjoying a vacation from his duties with the railroad and left Wednesday for Tennessee for a visit with his parents.

*Rub-My-Tism — Ant septic, Anodyne—Kills pain stops putrefaction.

J H Hibbard and family, who have been occupying the Newell cottage at the beach through the month of August, moved back to their town home Tuesday

Mrs F D Hamilton and daughters Frances and Veronica and son Dwight arrived home Saturday from a stay of several weeks in the north, the most of the time being spent at Zanesville, Ohio.

Mr and Mrs E V Smith and two children and Mrs. Smith's two sisters, Miss Claribel Godfrey and Mrs Thomas of Archer, and brother Dewey of Jacksonville, moved over to the beach Tuesday for a stay of a week.

Miss Claribel Godfrey, who has been spending some time with relatives in Archer and Jacksonville, arrived home Sunday She was accompanied by her brother, Dewey, of Jacksonville, and her sister, Mrs Thomas, of Archer, who are to stay for a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E V Smith.

Mr and Mrs. A. M. Yarbrough left Wednesday for New York City They will spend a week at Washington, D C, and after spending two weeks sight seeing they will return to New Smyrna and spend the rest of their vacation in this vicinity, camping at DeLeon Springs and other places. Mrs Woodard and the children accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Yarbrough as far as Columbia, S. C.

*Let Herrick fix it.

Misses Ellen and Francis Alcott, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Alcott, left Sunday for Memphis, Tenn for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. Mae Ferreira-Lewis and little son Robert and sister Nellie left Sunday for Fort Pierce for a visit of several days with friends.

D. C. Silvers and family returned Sunday evening from New Jersey, where they have been spending a vacation of several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H Elias returned yesterday from their combined business and pleasure trip to New York and other points in the north.

Miss Cornelia Smith left Monday for a stay of several weeks at Sullivan, Ind., and other points in the middle west, as the guest of friends.

Mayor and Mrs. W. H. Newell went to DeLand Wednesday morning and drove back the mayor's car, which had been left at the county seat for an overhauling.

C. A Grimsley, superintendent of the northern division of the East Coast railroad, returned Tuesday from a vacation of a couple of weeks spent with relatives in Georgia

Norman Berry and W. L. McEver will leave today for Clarkesville, Ga, where Mr. McEver s parents recently moved From there they will go to Hendersonville, North Carolina, where Norman will spend his vacation.

*No 666 will cure Malaria or Billous Fever. It kills the germs

George Pease, who came over from Sorrento last week with his wife and baby, returned to that place Monday, leaving his family here with Mrs Westall Mr Pease will come back in two weeks to enjoy a few days fishing and take his wife and baby back home.

Postcards and letters received by friends of G W. Tanner and E K Ashton, who left here last week for the west, say they are now in Denver, Colorado They stopped at a number of places on the way to Denver and say they are thoroughly enjoying the trip

Parent Teachers' Club—

The Parent Teachers' club will hold a meeting this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of the president, Mrs G. L. Branning, for the purpose of making plans for a reception to be given the teachers of the New Smyrna public school at the opening of the term the last of this month A full attendance of the members of the club is desired.

Motored from Palm Beach—

H W House and J C. Crichlow arrived home Sunday morning about 1 o'clock from their auto trip to Fellsmere and West Palm Beach They left West Palm Beach Saturday morning at 7 o'clock and stopped two hours at New Smyrna enroute home. They found the roads in good condition and enjoyed a smooth trip.—St. Augustine Record.

Dr. W. J. Howey Coming Here—

A letter from Dr William J Howey at Wichita, Kansas, says he contemplates returning to New Smyrna to open an office for the practice of chiropractics in this city. Mr. Howey was a dispatcher in the division offices of the F. E. C. railroad in this city in 1910. Since that time he has taken the course in chiropractics and is now practicing in Wichita. He owns land near here and plans to return to New Smyrna to make his permanent home.

Cleaning Up Vacant Lots—

Mayor Newell has a force of men busy these days cleaning up the vacant lots about the city and the cost of the work will be charged as a lien against the property. The city ordinance provides that all property owners shall keep their premises and parkages clean, and in case they fail to do so the city shall do the work and charge the cost against the property. The mayor proposes to have the whole city put in good shape while he is at the work of cleaning up.

Last of the Coal Burners—

Last week saw the final run of a coal-burning engine on the south end of the Florida East Coast railway, and from now on the oil burners will hold the limelight. Several of the oil burners have been placed in the service on the Key West-Miami division, but it was not until last Thursday that the last coal burner was put out of commission on that stretch of road. The oil burners are giving the officials genuine satisfaction and it is also a source of much joy to persons living along the right of way, dispensing as it does with the coal dust nuisance.—Miami Herald.

"DAMN FLORIDA."

Not seldom is there a criticism of Florida, Florida lands, Florida enterprises and Florida people in various papers of the north. Invariably these attacks are taken up and refuted by the press of Florida, but the newspapers of the state usually refrain from judging or criticising the state from which the attack comes. However, the following from the Clearwater Sun will be approved by many of the people of this state:

The attorney-general of Kansas is credited with making the remark that "Florida land is not worth a damn."

That's his privilege and undoubtedly his pleasure and mode of expression.

Kansas is a state which has hatched out Sockless Simpsons, Carry Nations, Whiskered Pfeffers and a lot of other freaks and a damning high state official is not out of the ordinary.

Something has happened to rile this dignity He probably attended the closing hours of the last Kansas legislature when five or six million dollars' appropriations were put through in chorus in five minutes, all committeemen reading their appropriation bills at the same time, and he had to damn something

Or probably he was in the Wichita boom when you couldn't tell where Wichita left off and Newton began; when farmers mortgaged $10,000 farms to buy town lots in Wichita, which were afterwards worth ten cents

Or probably he owned some of that Kansas land that you would have to nail down at night to keep it from blowing over into the next township

But he ought to have damned his own state

We know that state

We lived in it

We have seen it 40 below zero in winter and 120 above zero in summer We have seen blizzards that froze cattle stiff in their tracks, and we have seen summer so hot that cattle went mad from the heat

We have seen floods that covered 20 miles of the Arkansas River bottom and drowned people like rats and we have seen the same river stream so devoid of water that catfish were running around with tin cups in their mouths begging for water

We have seen hot winds that cooked a whole township of corn over night so that a lighted match would have incinerated the whole crop

We have seen chinch bugs and grasshoppers devastate the country like it had been run over by an army of goats

We have seen cyclones and tornadoes and hunted cyclone cellars with the avidity of a prairie dog.

We have seen prairie fires that caused one to repeat the Ten Commandments and wish that he had taken out life insurance

We have seen rains that flowed through key holes like a squirt gun was behind the force that made it possible to penetrate such a small aperture.

We have seen farmers coming to town dressed in cowskins, the women folks wearing gunny sacks on their feet for shoes, and rags for outer garments.

We have seen them burning cow chips for fuel, and eating gophers and jack rabbits.

We have seen four years of famine when a silver dollar looked as big as a mill stone

We could take a few more rods of space to tell of the joys of living in Kansas, and why this attorney-general goes 2,000 miles to find a place to damn we cannot understand.

He ought to begin at home.

Or he, at least, ought to visit Florida, or live in Florida, as we have lived, and then his comparison or deductions would have more weight.

If this damning official will come to Florida we will show him a tract of land of 25,000 acres he could not buy for less than $500,000, and it raises 150 bushels of corn to the acre, 100 bushels of rust-proof oats to the acre and 100 barrels of Irish potatoes to the acre.

We will put up $1,000, if he will cover it, that we will take 10 acres of Florida soil, and have it produce more in dollars and cents in five years, than any 10 acres in Kansas in the same length of time.

But this damning official probably is running for office and desires to popularize himself by playing to the Kansas farmer.

A year's subscription to the New Smyrna News would be a welcome and pleasing gift to that friend who is interested in this city.

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On Church and State

The recent action of one of the leading churches of this nation, in annual convention, demanding that the laymen vote only for candidates for office whose views coincide with those of the clergy on one of the leading political issues, and direct and indirect efforts of other church organizations to interfere with the freedom of the ballot, make one of the greatest perils of this age, and present a problem that should receive thoughtful consideration of both laymen and citizens

Suckling babes may well squirm in their cradles when ministers in convention assembled release the hearts of men and grab them by the throat, for Christianity has broken down, religion has become a farce and the pulpit a failure. When the church substitutes force for persuasion, command for conviction and coercion for reason, the sheriff had as well pass the sacrament, plain-clothes men take charge of the altar and policemen bury the dead, for why a church?

It is as dastardly a crime against government for a minister to undertake to deliver the votes of his parishioners to a candidate, as it is for a ward heeler to deliver a block of votes to a political boss, and both ought to be prosecuted, for the law should be no respecter of persons.

It is as objectionable for a convention of ministers to seek by canonical law to control the votes of church members as it would be for a convention of manufacturers to issue orders for their employees to vote for a certain candidate. Such conduct is offensive to decency, business morals and a crime against society. Any convention, whether composed of saints or sinners, rich or poor, white or black, that seeks to prostitute power and coerce conscience ought to be broken up by the police and its leaders arrested for treason.

A crime by any other name is a crime just the same. An ecclesiastical robe cannot sanctify treason, authority to preach does not carry with it license to become a political ringster, or the right to teach us how to pray give a permit to tell us how to vote. No man in joining the church should sacrifice his citizenship, forfeit his constitutional liberties or subordinate his duty to the state. The earth many times has been drenched with the blood of our forefathers fighting to throw off the ecclesiastical yoke from the state, and the suggestion of a return to these medieval conditions with their horror and their torture should not be tolerated for a moment

Laws should be passed prohibiting any preacher, or combination of preachers, from delivering or attempting to deliver their membership or congregation to any candidate for office, and suitable legislation should be passed preserving the sanctity of the pulpit from political vandalism. It is as much a menace to church and state for a politician to occupy the pulpit as for a minister to preach a political sermon. He has no more right to preach his politics from the pulpit than a teacher has to teach his politics to his pupils. A preacher cannot make political trickery righteous by saying any more than he can make profanity respectable by practice. It is one of the ironies of fate that a preacher may become a scandal as well as a glory to civilization.

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William Kelley, Noted Life-Termer in Limelight through Pardon of Old Side-Partner

Once again William Kelley, serving a life term in the state convict camps, and whose crimes and attempted escapes have, at various times, placed him prominently before the people of the state of Florida is in the limelight to certain extent, and this time because his partner in the alleged murder of W C Sellars at High Springs some 12 or 15 years ago, is said to have been pardoned by the state pardoning board

It will be reomembered that W. C Sellars, as a special agent for the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, was sent to High Springs to try to break up the gang which had been looting rail road cars and terrorizing the community The special agent was killed from ambush and Kelley and "Shorty" Davidson were convicted of the crime and sent to the turpentine camps for life

Kelley was turned over to the DeLeon Naval Stores company and put to work with the gang at the state camp on the DeLand-Daytona road Kelley was known as a dangerous and cunning man and was closely watched for a time after arriving at the camp, but in spite of this precaution he made his escape from the camp, having bribed a guard named Smith

Smith and Kelley made their way to Tampa, and the story of their escape and Kelley's treatment of Smith have previously been told in these columns Smith was captured at Tampa and brough back, tried and sent to the camps on the charge of aiding a prisoner to escape Kelley was not so easily located, however and the search for him continued for months He was finally located in Cuba working as a deck hand on a barge, brought back to this state and returned to the camp from which he made his escape

Since that time Kelley has been so closely watched that he has made no further effort to escape

The pardoning of 'Shorty" Davidson has again reminded the citizens of the cold blooded murder of Special Agent Sellars and the part Davidson and Kelley are believed to have taken in it, and has recalled the sensational escape of Kelley from the camp in this county

Referring to the pardoning of Davidson, the Tampa Times has the following editorial, under the heading, Has Justice Been Ravished in Florida?"

"Although we have reveived no report on the subject from Tallahassee The Times has been informed by one of the bravest and most reliable officers of the law in Florida that "Shorty" Davidson was pardoned last week by the pardon board, and returned Saturday to his old haunts in High Springs, Alachua county If this is the case justice has assuredly been ravished through misuse of the pardoning power, for no legitimate reason could be advanced for relieving Davidson of the penalty that was imposed upon him

It is hardly necessary to inform people who have lived in Florida ten or fifteen years as to the identity of "Shorty" Davidson, but for the benefit of newcomers we will say that he was sent to the penitentiary, for how many years we do not remember, for complicity in the murder of W C Sellars, a one time police lieutenant of Tampa, who had been sent to High Springs as a special agent by the Atlantic Coast Line railway in the hope that he would be able to break up a band of thugs and thieves, of which Davidson was declared to be the main spirit Because of his bravery Sellars was shot to death from ambush, and, after a hard fight in the courts, Davidson and a side partner, Kelley, was sent to the turpentine camps Kelley escaped, was recaptured, and is supposed to be doing service now Davidson did not attempt to escape and now, according to our informant, has been released

For years, High Springs, which contains as many good citizens as any community of equal size in Florida, was regarde as "hell on earth" because of mysterious murders and continued robberies of Coast Line freight cars Many special agents were sent to High Springs in the hope that they would be able to end the depredations of the thugs, and every man who undertook the task took his life in his hands No sign of peace came until Sellars went to his death and Davidson and Kelley went to the turpentine camps Since that time High Springs has been as law-abiding a community as can be found anywhere

On the day of the Sellars murder the writer was visiting Gainesville, seat of Alachua county, on business, and even in that city, where courageous men abound, Davidson and his gang were held in fear Charlie Eaton, W. D. Bryan and other detectives who attempted to bring the guilty men to justice received threatening letters, and the writer also received one because of the news stories written about the operations of the Davidson gang

Considering the manner in which the good people of High Springs were terrorized for years, also the cowardly manner in which Sellars was killed, we again declare that the pardon of Davidson, even though he may not have committed the actual crime of murdering Sellars, is a travesty on justice

There was no excuse for releasing him, and the issuance of pardon in such cases serves only to inspire imposed - upon people to act as those Georgians in the Leo Frank case

Peter the Great.

What Alfred the Great is to early Britain, that Peter the Great, in his crude way, is to Russia If ever a race of people found adequate expression in one person, that race was the Slavic race in their great czar.—Century

Optimistic Thought.

He who can at all times sacrifice pleasure to duty approaches sublimity.

Australians Prefer the City.

More than one-third of Australia's residents live in four cities—Sydney, Adelaide, Melbourne and Brisbane.

Aeroplane Testing.

In a French aeroplane factory wings are testing by turning machines upside down and loading them with sand, evenly distributed, until a weight exceeding the pressure the wings must withstand is reached

Getting Rid of Warts.

To Get rid of warts bathe them in vinegar two or three times a day and put collodion on at night An other often successful cure for warts is to press upon them until a pain shoots through them, as though a needle had been stuck into your flesh They will shortly after dry up and disappear.

Watch Designed for the Blind.

For the blind there has been invented a watch with the hours so marked by raised dots and dashes that it can be read by the sense of touch

Substitute for Spectacles.

If you forget your specs take a piece of paper, perforate it with numerous holes, place the paper close to your eye and hold the reading matter at a distance This method will relieve the plight of forgetful ones, says Dr. M Lesage.

The Mandolin.

The mandolin is of Italian origin, though it is impossible to give the time or place of its first use From Italy the instrument was gradually introduced into France and Spain, from which countries it made its way to the rest of Europe, reaching this country with the coming of the Spaniards at the beginning of the sixteenth century

Archeological Find.

Some interesting remains of an old Friary have been brought to light during alterations to Cromwell House the site of the birthplace of Oliver Cromwell, at Huntingdon, England. The remains include the base of a well with parts of two doorways The foundation of a large chimney stack has been found, and in one hearth ashes still remained. The house is believed to have been founded by the Augustinian Friars shortly before 1285.

Looking on the Dark Side.

The Optimist—"That boy will be president some day" The Pessimist—"That boy will be vice-president some day."—Puck.

Unchivalrous Comment.

Professor Rippman of London announces that girls begin to talk earlier than boys. Yep! Earlier, oftener, longer and later —Exchange

Looking Backward.

Certainly we get sense as we grow older. Every man can remember when he wanted a revolver and a mandolin. —Pittsburgh Post.

Charles Lamb's Eyes Remarkable.

Charles Lamb is described as having glittering eyes strangely dissimilar in color, one being hazel, the other having specks of gray in the iris, as you see red spots in the bloodstone.

Turkey Was Called "Indian Fowl."

The turkey, so far as records are known, was introduced into England in 1524, brought probably from the port of Cadiz, where ships trading with the Orient were accustomed to call In nearly all countries, inclusive of Spain, and even Turkey itself, this bird is called the "Indian fowl."

To Remove Tattooing.

French army surgeons have found that a mixture of freshly slaked lime and phosphorus will remove tattooing so that it cannot be detected.

WESLEY HERRICK WRITES OF ROADS SOUTH OF HERE

WORST ROADS OF EAST COAST HIGHWAY SAID TO BE IN SOUTH END OF VOLUSIA COUNTY. — OTHER GOOD ROADS.

(From The Daytona Gazette-News)

Editor Gazette News: Having read much about the roads of our state and being very much interested in good roads, I am taking the liberty of giving you my impression of the roads on the East Coast Having been a resident of this state for 38 years, I have seen the roads improve, from year to year, from sand roads to shell and marl, from shell and marl to oil surfaced and brick roads, until today there are thousands of miles of fine roads, one of the most southern counties of the state having nearly one thousand miles of the best roads in the state

On Thursday, the 26th day of August a party of five having been arranged in a few minutes' time, left Daytona at 5 35 a m "Red Bill Goldenberg, of the Daytona Beach garage Max Leidersdorf, the versatile real estate man, C H Smith, representing the Savannah Plumbing Supply company C K Barnhart, the contractor, and the writer composed the party who set out with nothing but a quart thermos bottle of ice water and a clear conscience, in a good, sturdy old 'Selden" A motor never sang a sweeter tune than did ours The morning was clear and fine and the roads good as we spun south through Port Orange and New Smyrna down to Oak Hill, and on south to the turn of the road and the worst we found on our way was the stretch from that point to the south line of Volusia county

From the north line of Brevard county the roads began to improve and we arrived in Titusville in time for some of the party (names not mentioned) to get breakfast

After a stop of one hour we were again under way down the shores of the beautiful Indian river, roads getting better all the time, with the exception of one detour, where they were working on them After passing that detour we flew on south through City Point, past orange groves with the road rising to the high banks of the river, on to Cocoa where we made our first stop for gasoline In a few minutes we were under way again flying on through Rockledge and Cocoa with roads still good, on through Eau Gallie across the Eau Gallie river, toward Melbourne

Here we made another detour of a quarter of a mile, where they are finishing the road We came out on the river shore at Melbourne Heights Here we had an unbroken view of the Indian river, at one of its most beautiful points north and south as far as the eye could reach

Now and then the car was full of song and laughter, jokes and reminiscences, and the motor seemed to gather the spirits of the party as on south it purred, through Melbourne, Tillman, Malabar, Grant and Micco, to the Sebastian river Here a large sign hangs across the road reading 'St. Lucie county, 150 miles rock surfaced roads," and we flew on to Sebastian where we stopped for lunch at the Mills hotel

Although we were informed we were late, and they had served 25 extra, the 'Red Snapper" which was their extra that day was exhausted, we had an excellent lunch, filled the radiator with water, and were again slipping the miles behind us through Quay, Gifford, Vero and Oslo

Just beyond this town we heard a sharp report, and the right rear wheel bumped along the ground as we came to a stop We changed tires and in 20 minutes were again under way, but destined to another change, as, when we had covered six or seven miles, the same tires began to drag again, and we found the tube had blown, this was changed and we rolled in to Fort Pierce Here we got a tire on that offending rear wheel and once more steered south along the high banks of the river among the Palmetto and oak trees, with sometimes a cocoanut palm, on the finest roads it has been my lot to find in the state, of an equal distance

We encountered an odor here, not like roses, from the rotting seaweed and turtle grass along the shore, which was far from pleasant. On the other hand stretched fields of pineapples, over high rolling hills, among orange groves and an ever changing tropical foliage

Reaching the St Lucie river at 4:45 we took the ferry landing at Stuart In a few minutes we were under way again, on roads not quite so good, but still not bad, and we feel that there is some excuse for this, as they recently hda some bad washouts, owing to the breakage of the locks in the drainage canals, caused by the heavy rains, and the accumulation of water in the Everglade country

We arrived at West Palm Beach at 7 07 p m., having made the two hundred miles, including stops, in 13 hours and 32 minutes

We stopped at the Lake Park hotel where we were well taken care of, and after looking the country over to our satisfaction, we started on the return, minus the genial "Smitty," (who pushed on south to Key West), making the trip in about the same time

We take off our hats to St Lucie county for good roads, as when you cross the Sebastian river, town limits and the ability of your car are the only factors to prevent 60 miles an hour, but you must watch for the "safety first" signs at the short turns There is absolutely not a break in the road from one end of the county to the other

We also "take off our hats" to Brevard county for its bridges over the small runs and creeks They are constructed of concrete and there is no bump or jar when you cross them We believe in the near future the unfinished portions of this road will be completed, and there will be an unbroken good road from the south line of Volusia county to Miami where they have ceased to build roads and are putting in boulevards

W HERRICK

That's a Hard Call.

The married man who hasn't anything running around his house but a fence is always the lad who doesn't like the way the fool neighbors raise their children —Cumberland Press

Refrain From Scolding.

Scolding is not necessary in order to emphasize a rebuke and sometimes the reproof that is tactful and kind, makes the most impression of all —Exchange

Laughing in the Sleeve.

In ancient times the sleeves of all outer garments were very wide and when a person covered his face with his hand there might be a suspicion that he was laughing in his sleeve

First Guns in England

When Edward IV returned to England in 1471, ten years after he succeeded to the throne, he obtained some forces from his brother-in-law, the duke of Burgundy, including 300 Flemings armed with hand guns, thus being the first to introduce these weapons into England Afterward they became common At first they were fired by the application of a lighted match to the powder by the hand The match was a wick lighted and pressed against the powder in the pan The invention of a lock to fire the powder in place of the hand was suggested by the trigger of the crossbow The matchlock fired the arquebus, or harquebus, used by the soldiers of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, in projecting a ball which weighed nearly two ounces.

Gentle Eyed Seal.

Seals are still numerous and are disliked by Labrador fishermen Dr. Grenfell says that he has known a seal to haunt a net so persistently that to get any fish the owner had to watch all the while at one end of it, and even then the seal would almost snap off the fisherman's hand as he raced to be first to disentangle the salmon

Hens Kept Busy.

There are used daily in the United States about 50,000,000 eggs.

How Perfectly Horrid!

When a lady insists on keeping on her hat in a theater, doesn't she afford ground for the suspicion that she hasn't got pretty hair?—Charleston News and Courier

On the Road to Intemperance.

Testimony in a Chicago court shows that a husband from whom a divorce is desired drank eight or nine whiskies every morning before breakfast and about thirty more before going to bed It is drinking of this sort that so often leads a man into intemperance before he realizes it.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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ORMOND

ORMOND, Sept 1—The Ormond baseball team played at Daytona last Thursday and was defeated by a score of 2 to 0

Mrs Udora Watson returned to Ormond last Friday Mrs Watson had spent the greater part of the summer at Chautauqua N Y, and reports a most delightful time

Miss Ethel Francis is expected home next Sunday Miss Francis has spent the month of August with relatives in Connecticut and stops at New York City on her return trip to purchase stock for the J E Francis company store

Mr and Mrs Hope Fagin and Misses Lillian and Julia Seabloom returned last week from a pleasant trip to various points in the east

There will be no church services at the Union church during the month of September The hour for Sunday school will be 10 00 o'clock, instead of 9 30 vesper services will be held at 5 00 o'clock It is hoped that this service may be well atended for it will be mostly a service of song and praise

Mr and Mrs Stanley Carnell have moved from the Miller cottage on Highland avenue to the residence of James Carnell

Mrs Frank Mason very pleasantly entertained Monday afternoon and evening in honor of Miss Nellie Holden, of Jacksonville Her guests were Misses Any and Margaret Shaw, Mary Corre, Edith Stanton, Dorothy Daub and Messrs Herbert Price, Harold and Francis Waldron, Burwell Thornton and Ben Shaw

Mrs J D Price entertained Tuesday evening at her home on the peninsula, quite a party of young people A most delightful time was reported by all present

Mrs Lulu Hall, Saturday, received the sad news of the death of her brother, whose home was in Alabama. Her friends here extend their sympathy

"Sun Follower."

The old name of the sunflower was solsecle, the sun follower The ancient sunflower or sun follower, was the marigold; the tall plants of the present day are of American origin

Same Thing.

Doctor—"You must go away for a long rest." Overworked Merchant—"But, doctor I'm too busy to get away" Doctor—'Well, then, you must stop advertising."

Fact Not Generally Known.

Contrary to general belief, the Babes in the Wood were not innocent darlings, but outlaws who infested the hills of County Wicklow, Ireland, many years ago.

Washing Greasy Utensils.

It is a good plan to wipe out all greasy utensils with a piece of soft paper before washing. This simplifies the washing process. Destroy the paper immediately.

Hard Proposition.

At a recent meeting of a society composed of men from the Emerald isle a member made the following motion: "Mr President, I move yee's that we whitewash the ceiling green in honor of the ould flag."—San Francisco Argonaut.

China's Cattle Industry.

Contrary to general belief, China not only raises cattle in large numbers, but exports frozen beef in quantities which have now assumed a commercial magnitude of such size that world-wide possibilities may be expected in time to come. Upward of 200,000 cowhides are annually exported from Shanghai.

CHANGE IN THE PRIMARY ELECTION LAW

The Bryan Primary Election law originally required a new registration for every primary election

The recent legislature amended the law, legalizing the registration of last year for future elections and doing away with a new registration every two years, except in counties that had a city of over 20 000 population

It is also ordered the supervisors of the various counties to transfer to the regular county registration books the names of all persons who may have or may register in the primary registration books

The new law went into effect the first of August

Napoleon Near Capture

After the passage of the Mincio (at Valeggio) Napoleon, having concerted all his plans and pursued the enemy in every direction, entered a castle on the left bank of the river He was troubled with a headache and used a foot bath A large detachment of the enemy, in great confusion, arrived, having ascended the river as far as the castle Napoleon was there and only a few persons were with him, the sentinel on duty at the gate had just time to close it, exclaiming, "To arms!" and the general of the army of Italy, in the hour of victory, was compelled to escape through the back gate of the gardens with but one boot on!—"The Napoleon Anecdotes," W H. Ireland.

Due for a Jolt.

Those people who have an impression that the wheels wouldn't go 'round if they sat down and folded their arms will get a sharp jolt sooner or later

Humane Turkish Laws.

It is unlawful in Turkey to seize a man's residence for debt, and sufficient land to support him is also exempt from seizure

Only Way to Make Character.

You cannot dream yourself into a character, you must hammer and forge yourself into one.—Froude.

Optimistic Thought.

The dull world hath need of you.

Knew Whereof He Spoke.

One day, in the lively old time of cowboy activities, a timid tenderfoot at Bitter Creek asked tremblingly if that bad man, Bill Busher, was hanging around there yet. "No," replied the native who was asked "But he was last week." "Are you sure?" said the tenderfoot. "Positive. I had hold of the rope"

The Best Collateral.

Even at a bank a man's best collateral is character.—Youth's Companion.

Optimistic Thought.

One's duty is to accept the challenge of the passing day

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BOOK DIXIE HIGHWAY

ASSOCIATION HAS NOT AUTHORIZED ANY INDIVIDUAL OR CONCERN TO ISSUE A GUIDE BOOK OF THE HIGHWAY.

(From The Daytona Gazette-News)

Secretary Benford Deacon of the Daytona Board of trade is in receipt of the following letter in regard to guide book of the Dixie highway:

"Dear Sir: For the protection of your merchants, and members of your organization, the Dixie Highway association wishes to advise you that this association has not authorized any individual or concern to issue a guide book of the Dixie highway.

"We feel that it would be manifestly unfair to the touring public, the advertiser and to this association to publish such a guide at this time.

"Although practically every county is at work, or has the money in hand to build its section of the highway, a guide book inviting tourists to travel over the highway before next year, would result in the highway receiving a serious setback.

"It is impossible for the present to give an accurate routing of the Dixie highway, owing to the fact that there are several questions of routing to be decided by the commissioners appointed by the governors of the several states.

"When the directors feel that the time has arrived when such a guide book, which will contain only official and accurate information regarding the highway, and the territory through which it traverses, can be issued so that it will be of real service to the tourist, and not merely an advertising scheme published for private gain, an official guide, compiled by the Dixie highway association's own accredited representatives will be published.

"Won't you kindly have your local papers give publicity to this matter, in the interest of the Dixie highway movement? Very truly yours,

THE DIXIE HIGHWAY ASS'N,
V. D. L. Robinson, Asst. Secy."

When It Would Count.

"Of course, I shrieked when I thought there was a burglar in the house," said young Mrs. Torkins. "What did your husband do?" "Charley looked at me with deep reproach and asked why I couldn't holler that way once in a while when the home team needed a boost."—Washington Star.

Peculiar Belief in Holland.

There are myths told in Holland that some time their entire land will be raised above the level of the sea and the dikes will then be nothing but a memory. Prior to 1713 the land was higher than it now is. At one time the Zuider Zee, the great inland gulf of Holland, sank. The Zuider Zee was covered formerly with a great forest. The trees are still to be found on the floor of the Zuider Zee just as they were hundreds of years ago. The legends tell that a promise was made that the sea would restore the Zuider Zee to the land again.

She Wanted a Coffee Calculator.

In a South side home there is a cockney cook with an unusual facility for the misuse of words. One morning this week she said to her mistress: "'Ow much would one of those coffee calculators cost?" "Why," asked the mistress soberly, "are you percolating on getting one?"—Kansas City Star.

Drawing a Bead.

"Did you follow the thread of her discourse?" "No; I soon saw that she just wanted to string me."—Judge.

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INDEBTEDNESS OF COUNTIES COMPARED

The Bureau of the Census made public the per capita indebtedness of Florida.

The wide range of per capita indebtedness is shown by the fact that the people of Levy county carry a debt of only 40 cents a head, while the per capita indebtedness of Manatee county is $85.10.

The per capita indebtedness of various Florida counties, as given by the Census Bureau, is as follows:

Alachua, $13.99; Baker, $2.82; Bradford, $2.13; Brevard, $2.96; Calhoun, $1.30; Citrus, $12.04; Clay, $11.87; Columbia, $15.68; Dade, $70.73; DeSoto, $7.79; Duval, $53; Escambia, $37.10; Franklin, $11.45; Gadsden, $5.94; Hamilton, $6.64; Hernando, $11.84; Holmes, $1.44; Jackson, $9.33; Jefferson, $5.15; Lafayette, 9 cents; Lake, 1.90; Lee, $5.11; Leon, $13.79; Levy, 40 cents; Liberty, $1.76. Madison, $4.94; Manatee, $85.10; Monroe, $31.74; Marion, $7.35; Nassau, $13.24; Orange, $18.15; Osceola, $5.89; Palm Beach, $62.87; Pasco, $5.20; Polk, $22.40; Putnam, $30.37; St.Lucie, $52.78; Santa Rosa, $4.97; Sumter, $5.31; Suwannee, $9.39; Taylor, $7.94; Volusia, $8.77; Wakulla, $1.89; Walton, $5.39; Washington, $4.87.

The bureau announces that the per capita indebteodness of Hillsboro, Pinellas and St. Johns counties had not been computed. The St. Johns county records were destroyed by fire.

Bracing the Will.

I think it rather fine, this necessity for the tense bracing of the will before anything worth doing can be done. I rather like it myself. I feel it to be the chief thing that differentiates me from the cat by the fire.—Arnold Bennett.

Regular Accounting.

Elsie—"When Betty married old Moneybags she gave her age as twenty-five. She's older than that." Flo—"Oh, I suppose she allowed one-third off for cash."—Dallas News.

Took His Mind Off.

"He was a very good man, my husband, though he would often say, "Don't make me go to church too much, Hattie; it takes my mind off religion."—American Magazine.

Insulted.

"I understand your husband lost his suit on a technicality, Mrs. Nurich." "Pardon me, sir; I'll have you understand that my husband pays cash for his clothes."—Buffalo Express

Poor Opinion of Lawyer.

"Prisoner, have you anything to say?" "Only this, your honor. I'd be mighty sorry if th' young lawyer you assigned to me was ever called upon to defend an innocent man."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

No One Told Him.

A man was caught in the yards of the Premier Motor Manufacturing company the other day while helping himself to a liberal supply of coal. His captor, grabbing him by the collar, asked: "Who told you to pick up that coal?" "Nobody told me, sir," replied the man. "I just needed it."—Indianapolis News.

Readin' Not Writin'.

A little girl, visiting away from home, received a joint letter from her parents. Papa's half was typewritten, mamma's postscript written by hand. Said Marion in reply: "Dear dad, the letter from you and muther jest came, the part from you was nicest, 'cause it was readin' and hers was writin'."

Yes, There Are Many.

It's wonderful how many people there are who resemble the small boy, who peels his apple to commence with, but eats the peel after all.

Keep Up the Effort.

Fight like a good soldier; and if thou sometimes fall through frailty, take again greater strength than before, trusting in my more abundant grace.—Thomas a'Kempis.

Fashioned by Adversity.

Many a man never found himself until he lost all he had. Adversity stripped him only to discover him. Hardships and obstacles are the mallet and chisel which shape strong lives into beauty. The hardships of poverty may bring out the diamond in us. We always do our best while fighting desperately and faithfully to attain what the heart covets.

Earth Tremors in Japan.

It is said that about fourteen hundred earth tremors were felt in Japan last year.

Whistling for Health.

A doctor has discovered that whistling is good for the health. It fills the lungs with invigorating oxygen, and this revivifies flagging spirits and flabby muscles. Boys are prone to be broader-chested than girls and better constructed for deep muscular tones because of the lung exercise which accompanies whistling, and one of the first things they try to do when they've passed babyhood is to whistle.

DAYTONA BEACH.

DAYTONA BEACH, Sept. 1.—Miss Callie Mims writes her brother, Robert Mims, from Schenectady, N. Y., that their friend Miss Capron is rapidly recovering from her seriousu illness.

Sydney Treadwell and wife, of St. Augustine, came down Saturday afternoon of last week to visit Rev. and Mrs. John Treadwell. Mr. Treadwell returned Monday leaving his wife for a few days longer visit with his parents.

A. Vande Vord, wife and son, left last Monday for a short visit at Mr. Vande Vord's old home in Toronto.

Dr. Guy, with his mother-in-law, Mrs. Smith, left Tuesday morning for a trip in the middle western states. Their first stop will be in Michigan, where Mrs. Smith will visit with friends and relatives. Dr. Guy will visit relatives in Nebraska before they return.

Registered at the Palms from Tavares are Sheriff Smith, wife and daughter, together with the deputy sheriff who motored over for a few days' stay on the beach.

W. Goldenburg, with Wesley Herrick and C K. Barnhart, motored down to Palm Beach last week. They report a pleasant trip and roads in good condition.

Mr. and Mrs. James Moyer and Miss Jessie McKay, of Gainesville, returned this week to their homes after a Ocean Spray.

The young girls house party chaperoned by Mrs. W. H. Courteney, disbanded Monday morning, each returning to their respective homes after a most enjoyable week, all voting Mrs. Courtney a most capable chaperon On the last day of the stay a real "spread" was enjoyed by all to which a few outsiders were invited.

Geo. P. Johnson and little son, Lawrence, returned Saturday from Jacksonville. Mr. Johnson made the trip on account of business.

Mrs. Shores entertained Monday forenoon at the residence of Mrs. H Q. Hawley, in honor of Miss Florence, the occasion being a handkerchief shower for the prospective bride.

Mrs. E. S. Vanclief and two daughters and Miss M. E. Russell, of Glen wood, are comfortably located in the Harroun apartment for the remainder of the summer.

Mrs. Chas. C. Stevens and daughter, Miss Marion, and friend, Miss Eva Bartholomew, have secured rooms in the Harroun apartment for a stay of several weeks.

Registered at the Oyama for the week end were S. Golden, of Umatilla; Guy Stafford, Sanford; S. H. Usher, of North Carolina; J. Smith and R. Subers, Anniston, Ala.; W. F. Whitley and party, Umatilla; W. J. Drawdey, Higley.

H. F. Coates and wife have just returnde after a week's outing at Tarpon Springs.

Last Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Green Cannon chaperoned a party of fourteen young people to Ponce Park for a stay of several days.

Misses Margaret Wright and Anna McLaughlin after a visit of several weeks with Miss Elsie Coates, have returned to their home in Sanford.

Miss Martha Fox after a pleasant visit with Miss Ruth Stewart has returned to her home in Sanford.

The Young Men's Class of the Methodist Sunday school extends a cordial invitation to every young man of the community to join this large and growing class and have a part in the winter's festivities.

Registered at the Seaside Inn: J. P. Chittenden, O. P. Herndon and V E. Douglas and wife, of Sanford; Mrs Edith Bagley, DeLand; E. S. VanCleif C. B. Van Cleif, Misses Charlotte Conrad and Lottie Conrad, Glenwood; Carl Dawson, Orlando: Rev. S. C. Hutton, Atlanta; R. M. Moseley and Mrs. B. M. Moseley and child, Gotha; R. M. Bond and wife, Frank Bond and L. M. Bond, Lake Helen; Mrs. Joe Henderson, Leesburg; J. W. Perkins and wife, DeLand; L. W. Harris and wife, Key West; H. M. Cornell and S. L. Harris, Eustis; Mrs. A. W. Jackson and daughter, Cleveland, O.; C. H. Campbell and wife, T. L. Jackson, DeLand; Dr. G. A. Klock, Daytona.

E. D. Chittendon of Sanford is over for a visit with his son, Roy, clerk at the Seaside Inn.

S. C. Woodward and wife of Maitland have rented the Coquina Lodge for the remainder of the summer and are entertaining quite a number of their friends and relatives, among them Mr. Woodward's mother and sister, Miss Florence Woodward, of Umatilla.

Registered at the Breakers: J. T. Lopez, Jacksonville; J. H. Barber and wife, J. B. Turner, J. Y. Reeves and son, Crescent City; W. H. Shults and wife, Winter Park.

A party of six mortoring over from Lake county were J. T. Lovington and Allen E. Miller, Altoona; H. H. Hitchcock, Eustis; Miss Julia Sims, Altoona; Miss Vergie Basher, Umatilla, and Miss Lina Rutherford, Altoona. R. S. Johnson and Leland Hitch, Cocoa; W. S. Jones and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Whid E. W. Booth and party of five from Orlando; Miss Mary Douglas, New Smyrna; J. C. Livingston and Kenneth N. Pierson, Kissimmee; Geo. M. Powell, Jacksonville; Robert Page, Newark, N. J.; Mrs. F. T. Scruggs and son, Finch, Mrs. Eunice Ives and Miss M. E. McQuarters, Orlando; Mrs. Joseph L. Gurnsey and Frank Gurnsey and wife, Orlando.

Registered at the Daytona Beach hotel: E. L. Rowland and wife with party of six, DeLand; J. J. Ferguson and wife with party of three, DeLand; A fishing party from Tavares, W. C. Ling, B. A. Carsway, Judge H. C. Dunkin, E. S. Burleigh and A. R. Peoples, Dr. F. C. Boardman, Orlando, have been very successful the past few days, motoring down to the inlet each day and returning to the hotel in the evening. Fourteen large sea bass have been caught, none weighing less than 24 pounds. The manager of the hotel gave a fish dinner to the anglers to which 31 of their friends were invited. Five different kinds of seafood was served.

Other guests at the Daytona Beach hotel were J. W. Philips and wife, Orlando, Mrs W. L. Acron, Orlando; C. H. Howard and daughters, Misses Florida and Mary, Orlando. Mr. Howard is editor of the Orange county peper, of Orlando. Among those registered for the week end were: W. A Cobb, Newark, N. J.; W. W. Hawley, Wilmington, Del; D. Beman, New York; E. Smith, Gainesville; J. D. Morgan, Mt Dora; Mrs. A. Urquhart, Birmingham, Ala.; D.r W. Howell, Leesburg.

A motor party from Groveland, chaperoned by Mrs. E. E. Edge, will be at the Daytona Beach hotel for several days.

The Young Ladies class of the Seabreeze avenue Methodist Sunday school is proving very attractive and is growing in numbers each week, last Sunday counting 17 present. When the school moves into the basement as planned, the young ladies will have a class room which they propose converting into a reading and game room, decorating the walls and covering the floors, making it cosy and attractive. Mrs. Treadwell is teacher of this class and having had large experience in teaching young ladies she presents the lesson in a way to make it interesting and profitable.

J. L. Reed left last Friday on a business trip to Atlanta, to be gone for a couple of weeks. On his return his daughter, Miss Margaret, will accompany him.

Prospect of Long Life.

Sir Walter Scott, while traveling in Ireland, was one day accosted by a beggar. He felt he had nothing smaller than a shilling with him, gave it to the woman, with the words: "You must give me the change next time we meet." "I will, sorr," replied the beggar, "and may yer honor live till ye get it."

Surely the Limit in Gall.

The Head Barber—"Sure, Mr. Allgall, I'll lend you a dollar. Glad to help you out." Mr. Allgall—"Thanks, old man. They're having a sale of safety razors around the corner and I didn't want to miss it."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Valuable Telegraph Line.

The Borneo islands boast a telegraph line constructed of mahogany and ebony poles. This is no doubt the most valuable telegraph line in existence.

Beyond Him.

Miss Sweetthing—"When we are married we must have no secrets from each other. You must tell me everything." Mr. Saphedde—"But—er—really, I don't know everything."—Puck.

Worse Than Work.

"After a man has loafed awhile," said Uncle Eben, "he generally decides dat he'd rather go to work dan be so lonesome."

For Youth to Remember.

Sad will be the old age of the youth who forgets his father's struggles, his father's thrift, his father's God; and lets the morrow take care of itself. The world owes no man a living, but every youth owes the world a life.—Leslie's.

Must Rise Above Misfortune.

It is every man's duty to labor in his calling and not to despond for any miscarriages or disappointments that were not in his power to prevent.—L'Estrange.

Elusive Hubby.

Wife (angrily)—"Just look at the time! This morning you got home at two o'clock and here it is again after midnight." Husband—"Well, you know, m'dear, it's against my rule to come twice the same day."—Boston Transcript.

Lucky Stumble.

A man in California suddenly lost his power of speech several weeks ago. The doctors said that a vocal nerve was paralyzed. Now he has regained his speech in an equally sudden way. While carrying a bucket he stumbled and exclaimed, "Ouch," with much force. Immediately his full power of speech was restored.

DAYTONA

T. F. Williams left last Friday on a short business trip to Jacksonville and other points.

J. C. Butler and children returned last week from their sojourn at Daytona Beach and are occupying the W. H Parker cottage on West Volusia avenue.

C. R. Simonds came down from Jacksonville Saturday evening and visited his mother, Mrs. Helen D Simonds, until Sunday afternoon when he returned to the metropolis.

A request has been received from O. S. Burnett to change his copy of the Gazette-News from Anthony to Ft. Lauderdale, Mr. Burnett and family having located at that place.

Mrs. Charles Kupperbush spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Osborne who are still sojourning on the ocean beach. Mrs. Kupperbush returned to Palatka Monday morning.

Mrs. W M. Hankins and children, who had been at Weaverville, N. C., since the early part of June, returned Saturday afternoon and rejoined Mr. Hankins at their home on Ivy Lane.

Mrs. I. J. Price and children, who had been visiting relatives in Clayton, Ga., for three months past, returned Saturday afternoon and rejoined Mr. Price at their home on Second avenue.

The first rain that had fallen in this city in more than two weeks came in the form of a light but lengthy shower last Friday afternoon, the precipitation amounting to only .075 inches.

A. Van de Vorde, the cement block man, of Daytona Beach, left Monday for a brief visit to Toronto, Canada, in which business and pleasure were combined. He was accompanied by his wife and little son.

Rev. and Mrs. William Stones and and Miss Elizabeth Stones, who had been visiting Fred Stones and family for the past two weeks at their home on Bellevue avenue, will leave today or tomorrow on their return to Ovedio.

Mrs. E. F. Murdock left Saturday for Asheville, N C., where she will remain until the return of her father, J. Fitch Walker, who was recently called to Moravia, N. Y, by business which he expected would detain him for about a month.

Mrs. B. Duke Bennett and little daughter, Violet, left Saturday afternoon to join Mr. Bennett at West Palm Beach where they will in the future make their home. Mr Bennett went to Palm Beach two weeks or more ago.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar C. Dunn last Friday at "Five o'clock in the morning." Both mother and baby are doing nicely. This completes a quartet, two boys and two girls, in Mr. and Mrs. Dunn's family. Dr. Roy Howe was the attending physician.

C. J. Messing returned to his position in the Daytona postoffice last week after enjoying his annual 15 days' vacation. Mr. Mesing devoted much of his vacation period to fishing and made some very satisfactory catches at the inlet, where most of his fishing was done.

Mrs. Lester C. Mitchell arived last Friday from Hamburg, N. Y., accompanied by her little grandson, Lawrence Smith, and they are at the Harry C. Thompson home, corner Palmetto and Live Oak avenues. Mrs. Mitchell is Mrs. Thompson's mother and Lawrence is Mrs. Thompson's son.

W. H. Parker left Saturday for Seville, where he will join Mrs. Parker who had gone over the preceding Sunday with their son-in-law, J. L. Robinson, in his car. Mrs. Parker expects to be at Seville several months and Mr. Parker will be there for some time as he intends to put in a crop of Irish potatoes.

Mrs. J. E. Osteen visited her son, J D Osteen, and wife at their home on Magnolia avenue several days this week, stopping also in New Smyrna for a day or two with her brother, before returning to her home in Oak Hill Mr Osteen drove to Oak Hill in his car Sunday morning and brought his mother back with him in the afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Hutchinson and daughter, Mrs. H. H. Brittle, and children, who had been visiting relatives at Kingsboro, S. C., for a month or longer, returned last Friday and rejoined Messrs Hutchinson and Brittle at the family home on West Volusia avenue. They were accompanied by Will Hutchinson, a nephew of Mr. Hutchinson, who expects to remain here.

Mrs. M S. Kinmouth and brother, N. W Stanford, and Miss C. M. Alexander and Miss Grace English, who lingered here through the summer, in Mrs. Kinmouth's bungalow at the corner of Ridgewood avenue and South street, departed Saturday for Lake George, N. Y, and later, Asbury Park. They will return to Daytona about the first of November.

A card received Saturday from J. P. Wilcox, dated August 26, and written from Lake George, N. Y., says: "We are enjoying an auto trip through this beautiful country. All well and expect to reach Daytona last of September" Mr. Wilcox, who owns a handsome winter home on Fairview avenue, is enjoying a summer outing north, accompanied by Mrs. Wilcox and their little boy, Robert.

Debt Liquidated.

"Well, I've settled that there note I've been owin' Jack Gap for so long!" triumphantly stated a prominent citizen of the neighborhood of Rumpus Ridge. "That so?" returned another and equally prominent resident of the same locality. "Where'd you git the money?" "Aw, it didn't take no money! I just shot Gap."—Judge.

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WEATHER REPORT.

for the week ending Aug. 30, as reported by Frank J. Nordman, co-operative observer:

Temperatures

Date	Highest	Lowest	Rainfall in inches and hundredths
24	93	73	.00
25	92	73	.00
26	94	73	00
27	93	73	02
28	94	72	.05
29	93	70	.18
30	90	70	05

WEATHER FORECAST

For the week beginning Wednesday, September 1, 1915.

Issued by the United States Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C.

For South Atlantic and East Gulf States:

Generally fair weather is indicated during the week, except that showers are probable Wednesday along the South Atlantic coast, with somewhat lower temperatures; rising temperatures Wednesday over interior districts, and on Thursday and Friday generally; moderate temperatures thereafter

LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of an execution issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of Volusia County, Florida, in a suit pending in said Court, wherein D B Paxton is plaintiff and W P Simmons is defendant I have levied upon as the property of the said defendant W P Simmons and will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, in front of the Court House door at DeLand in said county, on Monday, the fourth day of October A D 1915, during the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate, towit Lots 313, 314, and 315 Block 25 Andrews' New Smyrna, 45 62 chains of N Gomez Grant W of Road, S 34 38 chains of N. Gomez Grant W. of Road, section 38, township 19, range 35

Said property will be so'd to satisfy said execution in the sum of Twenty Dollars and Seventy Five Cents ($20 75) and interest and cost of proceeding thereon.

E L. SMITH,
Sheriff of Volusia County, Florida
By GEO N. MESSINER,
Deputy Sheriff.

August 20th, 1915.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of an execution issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of Volusia County, Florida, in a suit pending in said Court wherein D. B. Paxton is plaintiff and C. A. Lowe is defendant, I have levied upon as the property of the said defendant C. A. Lowe and will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, in front of the Court House door at DeLand, in said County, on Monday, the fourth day of October, A. D. 1915, during the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate, towit NW¼ of SE¼ and NE¼ of SW¼ and E½ of NW¼ of section 12, township 17, range 33

Said property will be sold to satisfy said execution in the sum of Eight Two Dollars and Eight Cents ($82 08) and interest and cost of proceeding thereon E L SMITH,
Sheriff of Volusia County, Florida
By GEO N MESSINER,
Deputy Sheriff

August 20th, 1915

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AN ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT THE RUNNING AT LARGE OF DOMESTIC FOWLS WITHIN THE INCORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEW SMYRNA, FLORIDA"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW SMYRNA, FLORIDA

Section 1 That the running at large of domestic fowls within the corporate limits of the city of New Smyrna is hereby declared a nuisance, and expressly prohibited

Section 2 Any owner of any domestic fowl or fowls who permit or permits it or them to run at large within the corporate limits, in violation of the foregoing section, shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than five dollars or imprisoned not exceeding ten days in the city jail for each offense.

Section 3. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are, and the same are hereby repealed.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall go into effect upon its final passage by the city council of the city of New Smyrna, and upon being approved by the mayor, and upon being published in the New Smyrna News for a period of thirty days.

Passed first reading July 27, 1915.
Passed second reading Aug. 3, 1915
Passed third reading Aug. 13, 1915
Adopted by the city council this 13th day of August, A. D. 1915.

M. A. BRUNSON,
President City Council.
(Attest) F. A NEWELL,
City Clerk
(SEAL)
By B. F. GREEN, Deputy Clerk
Approved by me this 15th day of August, 1915
W. H. NEWELL, Mayor.

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WILL AID FARM WORKERS

Bureau of Employment Established by Labor Department in Washington.

Washington—The United States department of labor has adopted a new method of helping employers and those who desire employment to come together. The division of information, of which T. V Powderly is the head, has a card index system by which all who are in search of employment on farms may have their names registered, with their references and a complete description of their qualifications. A bulletin will be published each week, giving lists of men who want to go to work on farms

These lists will show whether the applicant speaks English, what his experience has been, whether he wants board or is prepared to board himself, how much wages he asks and if he expects to have his transportation paid The same bulletin will also contain lists of opportunities for hired help In these lists will appear full information as to what sort of a man is desired, whether married or single, whether he is to have a house, garden, fuel, and milk, what wages will be paid, and whether children are welcome or not

In the lists, which were begun this week, a number of farmers specified that they desired to employ Belgian immigrants, but others indicated that they would be glad to get Norwegian, German, French or Flemish farm laborers Most of the places offered are for positions by the year with house, garden, fuel and milk furnished.

ENGLISH WADING STOCKINGS

The British war office, after careful experiments, has adopted a new wader stocking for the use of the troops in wet or flooded trenches. The waders are light and strong and are absolutely waterproof. They are lined with wool and are worn on the bare foot inside the army service boot. During the experiments the soldiers suffered no ill effects from long periods of immersion of the feet in icy water.

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BURGLAR BEN BOOSTS

By WALTER J. DELANEY.

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"Going to bury yourself in a dead country village?" asked Benjamin Rudd, alias Burglar Ben "It's a shame, Mr. Wilton! I'm of a discredited sort, but I'm your friend for what you've done for me, and I say it's a shame to see a man of your talent throw up the chance of a lifetime."

"Why, I've demonstrated some ability as a lawyer, haven't I?" challenged Adrian Wilton in his smiling, contented way.

"I should say so!" cried his client enthusiastically. "The papers have been full of it. 'Rising young criminal lawyer of the day!' All you've got to do is to take a big office here in the city and the clients will flock to you. That's your line. Didn't you clear me, with five of the best attorneys in the city on the other side?"

"That was because you were innocent, Ben," reminded Adrian.

"For once—by accident!" retorted the ex-burglar with a chuckle. "Anyhow, it gave me a scare and I've reformed square and straight."

At all events Adrian bade good-by to his grateful and would be helpful client and returned to Fordham Yes, the town had heard of his splendid record in the city, Nellie Wade especially, who had shown the newspaper clippings to all her friends The town, however, had half a score of veteran attorneys, lock-rooted in the estimation of the people

One morning Fordham awoke to the sensation of a half century A skillful burglar had broken into the local bank at midnight Bills of a large denomination representing $40,000 had been taken There was no definite clue to the robber or the money

At the end of a week, however, the county sheriff received a mysterious tip by telegraph It told him that the telltale handkerchief bearing the initial "R" and a false beard found in the bank belonged to a certain Benjamin Rudd and named his residence. It further stated that a Fordham restaurant keeper, if confronted with the burglar, would recognize him as a stranger with a mysterious satchel whom he had seen the evening of the burglary

Adrian Wilton lost a good deal of his faith in the reformatory process as appertaining to Burglar Ben, when the next morning he was sent for by Rudd The latter grinned at him behind strong iron bars

"Why, Ben," spoke the young lawyer, "you have fallen from grace, it seems"

"Not the man!" declared Rudd positively "I hire you to defend me. Get to work and make a record for yourself"

Burglar Ben practically directed the case He dictated the policy to pursue Adrian was amazed at his clear and forcible outline of evidence When the case came on, both his wife and child, a golden-haired little cherub of eight years, were in the court room

Adrian made good use of the evidence at his command He proved that the false beard, worn by anybody, would so obscure the natural features that later positive identification would be difficult. He showed that the initialed handkerchief might have come accidentally into the possession of some of Ben's former criminal associates. Then little Sura was placed on the stand The date at which the bank robbery was committed was her birthday Her father was at home, 200 miles away, when the crime was committed

For all this, the hard-faced farmers on the jury looked grim and prejudiced It was then that Adrian came out in full force He depicted the former life, the reformation of his client He described his changed family life He pointed to the weeping wife, to the innocent little child. Oratory, eloquence, sentiment—he swayed the audience with a master hand Women were weeping, strong men looked grave and sympathetic. The thrilling appeal moved every heart. After five minutes deliberation the jury returned its verdict—

"Not guilty!"

That evening, at the town hotel, Burglar Ben appeared at Adrian's room.

"Can I ever be tried again for this burglary?" he asked.

"No," answered Adrian.

"Then send for the president of the bank and the judge," he directed.

"Why—" began Adrian, wonderingly.

"Do as I say. Gentlemen," spoke Ben, as the persons in question were summoned, "I have a confession to make. I did not rob the bank, but I directed the robbery."

"Ha!" glared the banker.

"Yes. I did it to put on his feet my best friend, Mr Wilton. I did it to force an acknowledgment here of his great ability I got an old pal to do the job, but—there's the money, just as it left the bank," and he handed over a package to the astonished bank officer.

The latter was so delighted at getting back his lost money that he laughed gleefully as a child.

"A bright joke!" he cried

"You must be a loyal friend to Mr. Wilton to take the risk you did," remarked the judge gravely. "It was worth it, though, I guess, for he's a made man in this community."

And then Adrian hurried to Nellie to plan for the future—marriage, a good law practice, happiness, all through loyal Burglar Ben.

MEETING THE FAMILY

By GRACE REEVES.

When Sam went to his first dance and took a girl all the members of Sam's family were interested.

Sam's father joked about it, and his sister openly expressed her curiosity as to his choice. But Sam's mother was seriously disquieted. Sixteen was altogether too young for any boy to run around with a girl, she said, and she didn't know what the girl's mother could be thinking of to let her go. It just went to show what kind of family she was from. Sam's mother did hope that Sam wouldn't fall in love and think of marriage before he had started to college.

But Sam was not to be daunted. He not only took the girl to the dance, but he was so pleased with the adventure that he took her to several other dances in succession.

Sam's father continued to make jokes about it, but when Sam announced that he had asked the girl to come to tea Sunday evening his father broke an engagement that he might be there to take observations. Sam's mother was shocked.

"Come to call on you!" she exclaimed, in amazement. "Why, Sam, who ever heard of such a thing? What kind of bringing up has that girl had? Why, when I was a girl—"

"Now, mother," remonstrated Sam, "things have changed considerably since you were a girl The fellows have begun to realize that it isn't all up to the girls—they've learned that they can have the girls to tea occasionally and change the program to good advantage all around and not sponge on the girls all the time If you don't want to get tea ready just clear out and we'll have a perfectly good time getting it ourselves. For I've invited Grace and she's coming"

When Sam's mother first heard of Sam's first dance, she had been shocked that Sam called the girl "Miss Brice" Two such children! But now she was doubly shocked that in such a short time Sam had begun to call her "Grace," even in speaking of her!

So when Sam walked in Sunday afternoon with Grace, Sam's mother greeted her coolly Sam's father shook hands and laughed foolishly, as Sam thought, over the meeting His sister giggled aloud at his introduction of her as his sister Bessie It was her first experience of social forms with him Sam frowned witheringly at the entire family and led his guest into the parlor and seated her at the piano

Grace struck a few notes, and the family moved nearer to get a better view of her and incidentally to overhear any remarks that might be interesting. Sam watched them out of the corner of his eye and spoke low.

Finally his mother strolled up and sat down near the piano "Do you play 'The Maiden's Prayer'?" she asked with precision

The guest paused meditatively. "You don't mean the one that begins 'Do you love me, maid?' do you?" she asked "I don't know all the latest ones," she apologized.

Sam's mother gasped Sam grew crimson "It's something prehistoric," he murmured to Grace. "Play that rag again."

"Perhaps you know 'The Mill,' then?" continued Sam's mother, firmly, quite convinced that she didn't.

"No, I don't know that one, either," replied the girl "I did know some things from 'The Red Mill' several years ago, but I've forgotten them" She smiled in a friendly way, but she met no answering smile

"You're at high school, aren't you?" inquired the questioner "I suppose you're taking up domestic economy?"

"Oh, no," Grace laughed "I'm taking French and history and art—just three studies, you know One can't really take more if one goes in for any sort of a good time!"

"Yes?" said Sam's mother, slowly, darting an I-told-you-so glance at her husband, who had come in with Sam's sister to hear the fun. "I see. I thought as Sam said that you and he would cook supper if I had another engagement, perhaps you knew something about cooking—that perhaps you studied it."

Grace laughed "Goodness, no. He's been telling me what a good cook you are, and I'm planning on it," she said.

Sam arose, flustered. "I—I forgot something," he stammered. "Come on out with me, Grace!" He handed her hat and coat to her.

It was night when Sam returned home.

"Where's Grace?" inquired three curious voices at once.

"Aw, how do I know?" replied Sam, as he picked up a newspaper His mother's smile ceased, as he continued; "But, say, you ought to see the swell girl I'm going to take to the Alpha Pi!"

"French Before Breakfast."

Commander Evans of Antarctic fame, has proved his courage in many fields of adventure. But we doubt if he has ever given a higher proof of it than in his undertaking to lecture at the Sorbonne in French learned in 15 days. The gallant seaman is said already to speak like a native—but the French are a very polite people—save for some slight confusion of tenses. If Commander Evans has not quite come up to Toole's advertisement of "French before breakfast," he has achieved a feat which will raise the reputation of his fellow-countrymen as linguists, which does not at present stand high.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Church Notes

W. C. T. U. To Hold Meeting—

The regular meeting of the local branch of the W. C. T. U. will be held next Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of Mrs. B. F. Green A full attendance is desired.

Trinity Ladies Aid Society—

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Trinity Methodist church was held this week with Mrs. Ernie Murray as the hostess. There was a good attendance and much interest shown.

First Baptist Church—

Sunday school at 10 a. m.; sermon at 11 a. m.; B. Y. P. U. at 6 45 p. m; sermon at 7·30 p m; prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 30 p. m. All are invited to worship with us.

B. F. GREEN, Pastor.

Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church—

North Faulkner street, T. B. Lawrence, pastor.

10 a. m, Sunday school, E. L. Greer, superintendent.

11 a m, morning worship and sermon address Special music.

6 45 p m, Epworth league with a good leader. Come.

7 30 p m, preaching Special music

Wednesday evening prayer meeting Come and let us worship together

Grace Episcopal Church—

On Palmetto one block south of Canal, William L Blaker, priest in charge Order of services

Sunday

Holy Communion at 8 a m.

Morning prayer with sermon at 11 a m

Sunday school at 10 a. m.

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CAST OF CHARACTERS.

HENRY ALLEN, young married man, found guilty of homicide, first degree.

ANDREW ALLEN, the Master Mind, and the real brains of the underworld.

CORTLAND WAINWRIGHT, district attorney, who is hated implacably by the Master Mind.

LUCENE, "the one girl" in the heart of District Attorney Wainwright.

DR. FORBES, famous alienist, a friend and admirer of Wainwright.

MR. BLOUNT, alias "Black Hank," a veteran thief and swindler.

MRS. BLOUNT, alias "Milwaukee Sadie," shoplifter and accomplice of crooks.

WALTER BLOUNT, clever thief, who is in deadly fear of Wainwright and the Master Mind.

MARSHALL, a Pinkerton detective, who is employed by Wainwright.

SCENES OF ACTION, court, streets and houses in New York city; also a country place outside of New York near a state insane asylum.

SYNOPSIS.

Henry Allen, a young married man, is sentenced to be executed for killing the man who won the affections of Allen's wife. Allen's brother, Andrew, known to the criminal world as "The Master Mind," determines to avenge his brother He writes the district attorney that he will send him white, red and black blank cards indicating the progress of his plans for revenge.

Andrew discovers that the district attorney who convicted Henry is in love with an orphan girl who once saved his life. The district attorney Wainwright, has been searching for this girl, but cannot find her

CHAPTER IV.

A Family Made to Order.

WILLIAM SLOCOMB, alias Diamond Willie, alias Walter Blount, sat in the library of the house of which he was theoretically master and sought to divert his tedium by playing Canfield solitaire. Nominally he was indeed the head of the house, which had been taken in his name for the season, and he was about to entertain there his putative parents, come on a visit from their home in Laramie, Wyo As a matter of fact, however, Walter was a puppet in the hands of the man who was serving him as butler. That ingenious individual, by name Andrew Allen, had decided that this particular thief would fit admirably into his schemes. The accomplishment of his design was not difficult, since at just this time Walter was closely pursued by the Pinkertons for a recent offense against the law, and the offer of an asylum was welcome.

Andrew had maintained so much secrecy as to the nature of his plans that Walter's curiosity was provoked, and this soon drove him to dissatisfaction with the situation, in which he quite forgot his first relief over securing a safe refuge from danger. Instead he grew fretful over the dull routine of days and nights. He was dishonest by nature, a thief by choice. His slightly prognathous jaw showed merely moral degeneracy, not firmness of will. At twenty-five years of age he was a thorough paced scoundrel, willing for any crime, but incompetent. Nevertheless as yet his evil nature was not graven clearly in the lines of his face, which a careless observer might have deemed winningly boyish. Now as he sat erect in his dinner jacket by the table on which the cards were displayed he did justice by his appearance to the judgment of Andrew in this selection as the pseudo young gentleman of means come out of the west for a trial of the metropolitan life. He scowled heavily, and his jaw shot out sullenly as the trial of the cards proclaimed his recklessness. He shot a baleful glance toward the irreproachable manservant, who for some time had been standing at a little distance in an attitude of patient deference.

"Well, Parker," he snapped, "what the devil are you standing around waiting for?"

"For you to finish the game, sir."

"And then what?"

"To take the cards away, sir."

The young man sneered.

"Oh, that's it, is it?" he drawled. "You're waiting to take the cards away."

"Yes, sir. Mr. Andrew's orders, sir"

The words, decorously spoken, were the last straw to the burden on Walter's patience. With an oath he seized the pack and threw it violently to the floor

"Well, take them away, then!" he snarled, with an evil grin He sprang to his feet and moved about the room nervously for a minute.

"Say, you!" he cried. "You know who I am, don't you?' he demanded

And now there came a subtle change in the inflections of the menial's voice, though its respectful quality was still in evidence There was a vague suggestion of satisfaction in his tones as he answered

"Yes, sir"

Walter muttered a curse.

"Kept it to yourself mighty close, didn't you?" he affirmed rather than interrogated "Oh, I was on to you the minute I saw you!" Walter spoke with some relaxation of his aggrieved manner, for it was a relief to cast off disguise in the presence of this fellow "But this Mr Andrew—tell me, Parker, who is he, anyhow? What's his little game, eh?"

The anticipation of information from this source was not to be realized

"I have been with Mr Andrew for some time, sir," he said with an increased precision of utterance and a reversion to his customary "sir" "I never ask questions. I simply obey orders, sir."

"He's got to show me," Walter stormed, "that's all He's got to show me what this game is about or I'll quit."

Walter's gaze followed in astonishment the figure of the servant as it went noiselessly out of the room, and not until it had vanished into the hall did he observe another form which was standing motionless just within the doorway—that of Andrew himself There was a dead silence while the Master Mind walked slowly forward until he stood close, face to face with his tool. Though he wore a livery, as befitted his pretended place in the household, there was nothing of the servile in the clear cut face and the erect body as his keen gray eyes regarded speculatively the disconcerted youth before him. His tone was mild when he spoke, but he ran in it an undertone of menace.

"You won't continue?"

Walter had recourse to bluster.

"No, I won't!" he declared gruffly. "You heard me say it the first time, didn't you?"

"Very well, then," Andrew vouchsafed, still in that voice of ominous calm. "I suppose that I must notify the Pinkertons so that you may return to your former condition—the condition in which I found you Shall I?"

The young man labored to preserve an undaunted demeanor.

"At least," he vouchsafed sulkily, "I should know where I was."

"Oh, there could be no doubt as to that," Andrew conceded with a grim smile "And you would know your destination also for a certainty—Sing Sing."

Andrew wasted no time in pleading. Instead, he went to the telephone at one end of the long library table and spoke into the transmitter:

"Hello! Give me 100 Rector."

The voice of Walter sounded swiftly.

"Say, what's that number?"

The Master Mind turned from the telephone in leisurely fashion and regarded the young man with cold disdain. He placed a hand over the transmitter and replied with significant brevity, though quite without emphasis:

"The Pinkertons."

"Wait, Andrew; wait!" Walter cried desperately. "I'll stick," he said faintly.

Andrew put down the instrument and once again faced Walter. Now, his face was menacing. "Hereafter, please remember, Diamond, the next time I have occasion to call you Diamond Willie a Pinkerton will tap you on the shoulder."

Under the taunt the fickle mood of

"Say," he cried viciously. "Who the —— are you, anyhow?"

Instantly the Master Mind assumed the respectful demeanor of the faithful family retainer.

"Why, sir," he said gently. "I'm your confidential man and valet and butler, you know, sir. Why, Master Walter, I have served your father for many years."

This reference diverted the victim's attention again to the general subject of his grievance over enforced ignorance

"Father, huh!" he exclaimed, with a jeering laugh. "Say, when am I going to meet these fake parents and this sister of mine? Why shouldn't I

"You won't continue?"

be curious, I'd like to know? Answer me that. You've been drumming them into me all this time"

"On your table Walter, you will find a memorandum containing the instructions you are to follow when Mr Wainwright comes," was the reply.

"Oh, that!" sneered Walter "I've been over it already a dozen times to day—for want of anything better to do in this dead and alive house of mine—not! But what's the use of it? Wainwright ain't coming"

"He will come," was the unperturbed answer. "He thinks you saved his life last night from the attack of some felon he had sent up the river."

"Well, suppose he does That doesn't prove that he'll come here"

The Master Mind smiled coldly

"Of course," he admitted, "you could hardly be expected to understand But he is a gentleman, Walter, and he will therefore come to thank you"

The thief flushed hotly under the unveiled insult of the words, but he showed no disposition to resent it.

"How can he?" he persisted. "According to your instructions, I beat it right after the shooting Wainwright hardly got a glimpse of me, much less of my name and address, I'm thinking."

"I attended to that," Andrew answered.

Walter voiced apprehension in another direction

"That fellow ain't no rummy," he objected querulously. "Say, if I'd ever known the game was against Wainwright I wouldn't have come in The Pinkertons would be just as safe, believe me Whenever he went after a man he got him They say he even got the goods on the Master Mind somehow and has him buffaloed. Anyhow the Master Mind went out of business and hasn't been heard of for years. And you must know what he was. There wasn't anything he couldn't pull off till Wainwright came along."

"Yes, I've heard of him." Andrew admitted.

Walter went on, speaking with enthusiasm.

"Why, that fellow was the cleverest this country ever produced," he declared, with sincere admiration in his voice. "I tell you he only touched the high spots—banks, corporations, the classiest things going. The men that worked for him even never got their lamps on him, and the bulls never had nothing on him. And then Wainwright got after him and threw a scare into him so he up and got cold feet and quit. So what chance you got? Huh!"

"That question need not concern you in the least, Walter. It is sufficient for you that I have guaranteed your safety." He paused as Parker appeared in the doorway waiting for his attention.

"Mr. and Mrs. Blount have arrived, sir," Parker explained. "They are in the drawing room, sir"

"Tell them that I shall see them at once," Andrew directed. "Let me know instantly when Miss Blount arrives." He nodded dismissal to the servant and turned again to the fuming young man opposite him. His voice sounded in sharp command, "You, Walter, will go to your room at once and study the memorandum until I send for you to meet your parents."

As he passed into the drawing room Andrew cast one swift glance toward

room and going with an almost imperceptible smile a tiny shimmer of blue light that shone from the solitaire diamond placed there in readiness for the coming of his guests. The husband was a large man, of plethoric form and a strong, rough, rugged face, redly tanned by outdoor airs, the tint more florid from good cheer. His expression was kindly, after a rude fashion of its own, and with a pervasive suggestion of force, under which the latent weakness was with difficulty discernible

The woman, however, was less complex, tall and handsome in a flamboyant way, with no trace whatsoever of intellectuality or spiritual development merely an easy going, pleasure loving creature, untroubled by scruples of conscience Both betrayed an acute anxiety in this moment of meeting with the Master Mind, though neither had any suspicion as to his identity, since they knew him only as Mr. Andrew.

CHAPTER V.

Getting Acquainted.

"WELL, Andrew, we're here' Blount said rather inanely after a short period of silence 'How long's the game going to keep us in New York?'

"Why?" Andrew asked sharply.

"Why—er—that is, you know"—

Andrew interrupted reassuringly:

"You need have no fear of the authorities I shall protect you There can be no trouble for you if you are discreet. Your only danger lies in curiosity and in disregarding my instructions."

Blount whirled toward his wife with a sigh of relief.

"Get that, Sadie?" he demanded, with a note of marital authority in his heavy voice. "Just you remember it, or else you'll be back in Joliet doing those fancy stitches on bed ticking"

The woman nodded assent.

"I certainly got that," she affirmed in a rich, throaty voice, modified by a faint twang "But I been honest so long now I'm actually beginning to feel honest—inside And, what's more and I never did think it could be anyways possible, but you can shoot me if I ain't kind of beginning to—to like it!"

Andrew gave no heed to this virtuous confession

"You are about to meet the boy whom I have selected for your son A word of warning—don't trust him!"

"Does he know anything about our record?" Blount inquired doubtfully.

Andrew's reply was explicit

"He knows no more of you than you do of him If you value your safety you will bear in mind my advice—that you keep him in ignorance" He stepped to a bell call set in the wall and pushed the button 'Now, your son will be here in a moment. You have only to remember what I have said I shall leave you two alone with him for a little while"

Then steps sounded in the hall, and Walter appeared in the doorway There was a sarcastic inflection in Andrew's voice as he made the introductions with a wave of his hand·

"Walter, your father—your mother. Mr and Mrs. Blount, your son."

Without another word he turned and went out of the room

It was Blount who first spoke With a bluff cheeriness of greeting in his heavy voice, he said·

"Well, well! How are you, son?" He smiled a genial welcome

Walter replied briskly in kind:

"Fine, dad!"

A snort of indignation from Mrs Blount interrupted the complacency of the two men, who turned toward her interrogatively.

"What's the matter, mother?" the husband questioned, with a touch of solicitude in his manner.

The wife in her turn assumed a pose suited to the event and spoke in tones broken with emotion.

"This is all so—so affecting!"

"Huh!" Walter ejaculated huffily. "I guess"—

Mrs. Blount interrupted:

"Father, why don't you introduce me to my son?"

"Sure do!" Walter remarked, with a grimace. "I'm just dying to meet mother."

Blount cleared his throat impressively and spoke with a bow as low as a generous paunch would permit.

"Mother," he said tenderly, "this is our son—our only son to this date, Walter."

Mrs. Blount beamed roguishly.

"Ain't he the cute little son?" she gushed. "Oh, sonny!" She advanced with fond haste toward the disconcerted Walter, with the evident intention of bestowing on him a chaste embrace.

"Aw, cut that out!" the son cried, disgustedly as he drew back in alarm before the threatened onslaught.

"Why, Walter!"

"Oh, thunder!" Walter expostulated. "Say, what's the use of that bunk?"

Mrs. Blount spoke seriously now.

"No use, of course," she admitted gravely. "It's funny, though," she added, a little wistfully; "just for a minute I felt, somehow, like you might be my boy, sure enough—the one I never had. Ain't that the limit now?"

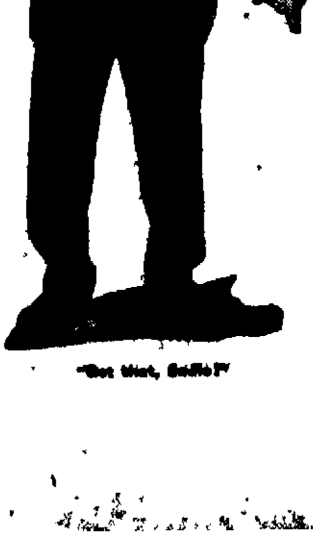
"Well, I ain't!" the young man declared crossly "So we'll cut out the cuddling. See?"

Mrs Blount's humorous sense of the situation caused her again to speak.

"I can t see that he's changed a mite, dad," she remarked, with a mellow gurgle of laughter.

"Aw, cut that!" Walter insisted sullenly.

"Do you know what you're up against?" he questioned shrilly. "I tell you, straight, this game's dangerous. Do you know, it's some kind of a frame up Andrew's got against Wainwright?"



"Got that, Sadie?"

"Wainwright!" Blount cried, aghast at this disquieting statement as to the thing in which he had become involved. "You don't meant the one here—the one that was district attorney?"

"That's just the guy I mean," was the savage assurance

Blount showed symptoms of alarm. His ruddy face grayed a little, and the heavy flesh of the jowls sagged.

"It don't look good to me," Blount confessed somberly "What's the idea?"

Walter shook his head in admission of ignorance

"All I know is that he's got it in for Wainwright.' Again he shook his head 'That's all I know. Whatever it is, it's something fierce If you don't believe me just mention the name of Wainwright some time when he's around. You watch him then, and you'll see, all right."

By a great effort of self control Blount reassumed his manner of geniality.

"Well, well!" he exclaimed patronizingly. "I really must look into this matter, quite in the interests of my friend. You know, I'm an old friend of Andrew's, and merely to oblige him I've agreed to adopt a son and daughter for a few weeks."

Mrs. Blount spoke aggressively.

"Yes, John," she said, "and you know he absolutely assured us that the whole thing was only a harmless joke." She hesitated slightly, then continued doubtfully, "But if it's as Walter says"— She broke off, frowning.

"Listen here, son," he said presently, with a return to his kindlier manner. "If I'm going to be a father to you I've got to be it all the time, that's certain—not merely when somebody else is around. I can't be a fond father one minute and then be hating your insides the next, although when this thing is all over I might feel some different—yes! But as long as we're on this game I'm going to think a heap of you. Yes, that's the program, and it's got to be carried out no matter how much it hurts me."

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Walter went forward a step toward the older man, with his jaw thrust out a little farther than usual, and shrugged his shoulders contemptuously.

"I've got you doped out all right," he said.

Blount sat erect, much surprised at the other's attitude of displeasure as well as by the utterance itself.

"Doped out" he exclaimed.

Walter chuckled malevolently

"I haven't got you placed exactly," he admitted, "but I've got your class all right. Do you get me?"

Blount bounced heavily to his feet. His expression was suddenly grown sinister

"My class?" he repeated blusteringly

Walter maintained his evil satisfaction.

"I'd be willing to bet you a hundred that you wouldn't put your Bertillon on a piece of wax"

Blount leaped forward with a lithe swiftness astonishing in one of his bulk.

"D—— you!" he said very softly, but with an intensity more vehement than mere sound. "Now, you look here—and look mighty close My name is John Blount. I'm your father. There's your mother I'm from Laramie. Wyo

"Now, you look here!"

They respect us out there. Understand That goes as it lays They're going to run me for mayor next spring and my wife here is president of the Mothers club You can look up our record there right through for the last four years We've lived straight, and we're going to remain straight. Now let me tell you something else If you want to look any further back than that you're looking for trouble—and a chance to get croaked!"

There was a deadly ferocity in the tones.

Aw, you needn't get so sore about it," Walter urged quaveringly

Blount spoke again

"It looks to me as if we were likely to be together for some time to come As far as I know, you're just Walter Blount. Outside of Walter Blount I don't know who you are, and I don't care either"

Walter strove again to placate the man whom he had so seriously offended.

"Aw, I was just kidding," he protested weakly His attempt at a propitiatory smile was tremulous.

Of a sudden a new curiosity stirred in Walter

"And the girl—that skirt—my sister, you know! What is she?" he demanded. "Is she one of us?"

"She's only been with us a week,' Mrs Blount explained. Came from across the pond, so how can we tell?"

Said Blount

"We don't know a darned thing about the girl except that she's our daughter That's all we're supposed to know, and it's all we need to know, at that." A sudden memory moved in the husband's brain, and he continued with increased sternness, "And another thing—don't you dare again to act like you did today at lunch There we were a-dining at the Waldorf with fine people, and me a-bragging about our big ranches and our beautiful home out west. And then I caught you trying to cop a spoon, so that I had to kick you under the table" An old instinct revived from the association of ideas, and he added petulantly, "And it was a plated one, at that!"

"What's the odds?" she demanded very spiritedly. "Lots of perfectly respectable people take things like that at hotels just for souvenirs Why, I know a lady that hasn't got two towels alike in her whole house. And she's real rich too"

Walter reverted to the subject of prime interest to him.

"And the girl!" he insisted. He gazed at Blount eagerly "Do you think Andrew has anything on the girl, like he has on us?"

In an instant Blount had leaped close, his face furious with passion.

"Andrew hasn't anything on us!" he hissed.

A flash of anger gave fleeting courage to Walter.

"Huh!" he exclaimed scornfully. "Don't try and slip anything like that over!"

Andrew came in from the next room and stood directly between the two men. Then he addressed them with contemptuous coldness

"If through jealousy and bickering you fail to act your parts so that in consequence my plans miscarry, it will count against you far more than would mere disobedience What was the cause of this row?"

Blount pointed to Walter.

"Ask the whelp!"

"I was just kidding—that's all!"

"Take care, sir," Andrew said harshly. "One of these days my patience will be exhausted." He waited a moment, surveying the youth with a lashing stare. Then, abruptly, he doffed his dominant manner and in its stead assumed the pose of the respected servitor. He bowed humbly to Walter, [illegible]

"Why not show your mother through the house, sir?" he suggested.

At once, without any trace of embarrassment, he took the part assigned to him

"Sure!" he exclaimed, boyishly aglow with pride in the new possession of this city home. He beamed on the bewildered Blount. "Come on, dad!" he urged boisterously. "You'll sure find this place all to the good."

CHAPTER VI.

Lucene.

MRS. BLOUNT possessed the feminine trait of curiosity. She made a dawdling round of the room, scrutinizing every detail of its arrangement. At the very last she came to the little table, toward which Andrew had glanced to note the shimmer of blue light By instinct her eyes went straight to the ring on the instant of her approach. As she beheld the lusters of the jewel her handsome face suddenly flamed with greed, and she uttered an ejaculation of delight. For long seconds she contemplated the glittering bauble with rapture, bending her face ever closer and closer as under a spell Then, in a sudden realization of her avaricious thought, she started guiltily, and peered about the room with furtive glances, to make sure that none spied upon her Again, she studied the stone with a sensuous ecstasy in its prismed brilliance, again she tore her eyes from its charm, and now she moved from it in resolute effort to escape temptation But the old habit of life dragged her back to the table, and she put forth a covetous hand seized the ring, carried it to her bosom, smiling

But very soon her mood veered. The smile vanished from her full lips Her expression became that of poignant grief By slow degrees the hand that held the ring moved from her breast, reached to the table, set the jewel back in its place. It was at this moment that Andrew re entered. At sight of him Mrs Blount realized with a shudder how narrow had been the margin of her escape from detection in the very act of theft. She pointed toward the little table and spoke with a catch in her voice

"Andrew, just look at what you left on that table there It's a good thing there haven't been any strangers in the house with that lying around loose

Andrew crossed to the table and picked up the ring There was a faint smile on his closely set lips as he turned and went to the woman He extended the ring with a slight bow

'Mrs Blount he said pleasantly "allow me Andrew nodded assent as he dropped the ring into her itching palm Only a word of counsel," he said "Remember that who I am and what my exact intentions may be are of no interest to you So be careful' Having thus admonished her he left her alone to her happiness

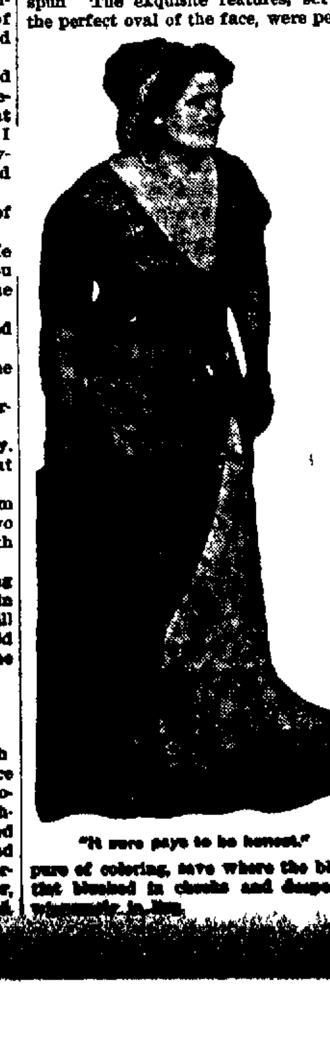
And Mrs Blount, watching the luxurious play of the varicolored rays from the diamond, murmured contentedly in the softest notes of her throaty voice

'Gee! It sure pays to be honest."

The servant soon announced to Andrew the arrival of Miss Blount and was directed to show the young lady into the library as soon as she should be ready for an interview

Andrew descended to the library with an eagerness of expectancy that was almost disconcerting to himself He ordered Parker, whom he found already stationed in the hall, to maintain the privacy of the library, to bring Walter on hearing the bell And at last a delicate rustling of draperies sounded at the door, and Lucene entered

The girl stopped short at sight of the man, arrested for a moment by the stress of emotion No least trace of Maggie Flint nursemaid and convict remained visible in the poised loveliness of this gentle maiden The promise of her beauty had been most nobly fulfilled. She was of dainty fairness, with a golden crown of locks like corn silk in the sun, as lustrous, as finely spun The exquisite features, set in the perfect oval of the face, were pearl



"It sure pays to be honest."

pure of coloring, save where the blood that blushed in cheeks and deepened [illegible]

At his smile Lucene came to him swiftly.

"Oh, at last!" she exclaimed.

His smile grew as he spoke

"You're not going to be lonesome for France, are you, Lucene?"

"Indeed, no!" was the joyous answer, given with a half disdainful pout of the red lips. "I was happy enough there But, after all, it wasn't America—it wasn't home'

Now since her first strong emotion at the meeting was past, Lucene was constrained to astonishment over something strange and unexpected in the appearance of the man before her

"Why Mr Andrew," she said with some show of confusion over her own temerity, how odd you look! What is it? Oh, yes, of course! It's your

"You mean, without letting him know?" In her eagerness the girl looked up into Andrew's face

"Yes" came the glib explanation 'You see Lucene, that's what these old clothes of mine mean You will please remember that for the present I am merely Andrew Watkins your brother's valet and confidential man"

"Oh, Mr Andrew' she objected with some embarrassment don't you see that you're asking me to deceive him?"

"My dear little girl" he declared gently 'I am only doing my best to give you a fair chance of happiness'

The Master Mind walked away from his ward to where the call button was set in the wall He pushed it to notify Parker that it was time for Walter's presence in the library

Walter came into the room with curiosity writ large on his boyish face

Andrew addressed the girl suavely

"Permit me, Lucene to introduce to you your brother Mr Walter Blount."

Walter strode forward and heartily shook the hand she reluctantly yielded to his proffered clasp

"How do you do, Luce?" he exclaimed with a brotherly familiarity highly distasteful to her

Andrew frowned as he watched the airy intimacy of manner assumed by

"Does he remember me?"

Walter. He again touched the bell call and spoke to Lucene.

"Parker will take you to Mrs. Blount," he said.

The girl went rather hastily out of the room

The face of Andrew was forbidding as he spoke to Walter

"You perceive" he said sharply "that this young lady is not of your class. You must understand that thoroughly, and you must remember it, sir Never presume'

The thief scowled heavily

Andrew continued

"When Wainwright comes and the conversation begins, you must bear in mind my written directions for your guidance." He went close to the door into the hall "Now, if I stand in the position corresponding to this in the drawing room, then, according to your instructions, in my memorandum for you, what form of conversation must you adopt?"

Walter answered with the alert confidence of a schoolboy, sure that his lesson has been well conned:

"The lonely stranger gag"

Andrew moved to the end of the library table and paused there.

"And if I stand by the large table there?" he demanded.

"The gay White Way."

The teacher went to one of the windows at the end of the room.

"And here?"

"The hard to get acquainted gag But just the same, you'll find this work all for nothing," Walter declared aggressively, in a new access of rebellion.

Parker appeared in the doorway, announcing visitors.

"Mr. Wainwright, sir, and Dr. Forbes, asking for Mr. Walter Blount."

(To be continued next week.)

PORT ORANGE.

PORT ORANGE, Aug 31 — John Glass of Palatka, has been spending a few days' vacation here visiting his friends Mr Glass lived in this vicinity some years ago and has many friends here who are always glad to chat with him

Mrs E L Winter has been enjoying the pleasure of a visit from her sister, Mrs Claude Patterson, of Geneva

Mrs Warren Morgan who has been visiting relatives in Orlando is home again

J L Patillo has enrolled with the great army of Ford owners, having recently bought an auto of that make, which he plans to convert into a delivery truck in the near future

Mrs E J Kasserman has returned from a visit to her mother in Newton, Illinois

Mrs J L Bailey went to Jacksonville on Friday, returning on Sunday after a pleasant trip and visit with the Brocks, who spent last winter at Allandale where they have a winter home

The 'Good Times" club was entertained this week by Mrs T M Bangs who dispensed the usual free-hearted hospitality for which the members are noted and which makes the meetings a pleasure to attend

One of our Port Orange boys having business at the county seat, took his best girl' along for a ride, and to call on a lady friend, with whom both were intimate It is alleged that near the court house the gentleman inquired where Mr Soandso lived 'You mean Rev Soandso? 'Yes" The desired information was given, and amid the smiles of the bystanders who supposed the minister was the one sought for, they motored away not a little confused Some of the boys think it funny to ask James where Rev Soandso lives

S G Martin has gone to visit his parents at Hawthorne to recuperate as he has not been feeling well recently

wo Kinds of Smartness.

"One trouble out our way," said Uncle Eben is dat it takes an intirely diffunt kind o smartness to git a political job fum what it takes to fill de office creditably'

Collars for Convicts.

One of the latest reform schemes at Sing Sing is that of letting prisoners dress up on Sunday "One of the men was wearing the first white collar he had worn in ten years," Assistant Warden Johnson is quoted as saying 'And he spent the whole of Easter morning telling how good it felt." It is said that now if the men can afford it, they may on Sunday go as far as they like, even to silk underwear and fur overcoats

PROF. CATE TO CONDUCT A FALL PARTY

Prof W B Cate who recently conducted such a successful special train party of over one hundred and sixty people to the Panama-Pacific exposition and the Golden West, is organizing a grand fall tour to leave Jacksonville on September 7th A most excellent itinerary has been planned and a large number of Floridians are availing themselves of this opportunity to visit the wonderful west in this ideal manner

The party will be gone for nearly four weeks and will take many interesting side trips enroute They will visit both expositions and stop in Chattanooga, St Louis, Denver, Colorado Springs, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, San Diego San Francisco and Chicago, taking sight seeing and side trips in all theseo places

The cost of the trip, including railroad fare, Pullman, hotel bills, meals, admission to the grounds and in fact all necessary expenses is $175.00 from Jacksonville

The party will leave Jacksonville over the Atlantic Coast Line using the Dixie Flyer route and the well known Louisville & Nashville railroad from Nashville to St Louis on the going trip, and from Evansville to Nashville on the return They will return via Chicago and spend some time there

Between Love and Duty.

Sweet Young Wife (to special constable, about to go on duty)—"Well, dear, if you don't take Tiny, will you promise me that if you see a burglar or a street fight, you won't interfere?" —London Opinion.

The Turn Down.

One of the latest fads is for a young woman to wear the name of her fiance embroidered on the ankle of her stocking And I suppose if they ever fall out she simply turns the hose on him. —Youngstown Telegram

Florida East Coast Railway Co.

FLAGLER SYSTEM

21 Daily	41 Daily	37 Daily	85 Daily	29 Daily	In Effect April 5th, 1915	30 Daily	86 Daily	38 Daily	40 Daily	22 Daily
......	......	8 00PM	1 30PM	9 30AM	Lv Jacksonville Ar	7 50PM	1 30PM	9 20AM	......	......
......	......	9 20PM	2 45PM	10 50AM	Lv St Augustine Lv	6 40PM	12 30PM	8 10AM	......	......
......	......	9 58PM	3 19PM	11 34AM	Lv Hastings Lv	5 51PM	11 34AM	7 12AM	......	......
......	......	10 50PM	3 34PM	11 54AM	Lv East Palatka Lv	5 23PM	11 15AM	6 50AM	......	......
......	......	10 30PM	4 10PM	12 25PM	Ar Palatka Lv	5 00PM	10 45AM	6 15AM	......	......
......	......	11 46PM	4 23PM	12 45PM	Lv Bunnell Lv	4 38PM	10 28AM	5 37AM	......	......
......	......	12 27AM	4 59PM	1 20PM	Lv Ormond Lv	3 58PM	9 50AM	4 49AM	......	......
......	......	12 39AM	5 10PM	1 34PM	Lv Daytona Lv	3 45PM	9 40AM	4 35AM	......	......
......	......	12 50AM	5 20PM	1 46PM	Lv Port Orange Lv	3 32PM	9 30AM	4 21AM	......	......
......	......	1 25AM	5 50PM	2 30PM	Lv New Smyrna Lv	3 10PM	9 10AM	3 55AM	......	......
......	......	1 49AM	6 12PM	2 57PM	Lv Oak Hill Lv	2 20PM	8 37AM	3 20AM	......	......
......	......	2 28AM	6 44PM	3 38PM	Lv Titusville Lv	2 44PM	8.02AM	2 43AM	......	......
......	......	2 57AM		3 59PM	Lv City Point Lv	1 14PM		2 10AM	......	......
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......	2 14PM	8 22AM		9.42PM	Ar Lake Worth Lv	7 39AM		8 11PM	12.25PM	......
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....	4 50PM	10 18AM		11 24PM	Ar Hallandale Lv	5 52AM		6 10PM	10.51AM	......
	5 30PM	11 00AM	2 00AM	12 01AM	Ar Miami Lv	5 20AM	12 35AM	5 30PM	10.30AM	......
8 30AM	5 40PM		*2 15AM	......	Lv Miami Ar		*12 20AM	......	10.00AM	8.30PM
8 20AM	6 55PM		*3 04AM		Ar Homestead Lv		*11 20PM	......	8.45AM	12.30PM
9 50AM	7 00PM				Ar Detroit Lv			......	8.40AM	12 20PM
12 51PM		......	*5 06AM		Ar Long Key Lv		*9 16PM	......	......	9 18AM
6 00PM			*8 00AM		Ar Key West Lv		*6 30PM	......	......	6.15AM
See Note A			5 30PM		Ar Havana Lv		9 20AM			See Note B

*Trains 85 and 86 are not operated south of Miami on Sundays

Note A—P & O steamships sail for Havana Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday only

Note B—P & O steamships sail from Havana Monday Tuesday Wednesday, Friday, Saturday only

Trains 29 and 30—The Miami Local, between Jacksonville and Miami. Pullman broiler buffet parlor car, and First Class coach for white and colored, mail, baggage and express cars, make all stops.

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203 Daily ex Sun.	201 Daily ex Sun	ORANGE CITY BRANCH	202 Daily ex Sun	204 Daily ex Sun
3 40PM	8.30AM	Lv New Smyrna Ar	1 05PM	7.30PM
4 40PM	10.30AM	Lv Lake Helen Lv	12 10PM	6.20PM
4.53PM	11 05AM	Ar Orange City Lv	11 55AM	5 25PM
5 00PM	11.20AM	Ar Orange City J Lv	11 50AM	5 15PM

129 Daily x Sun	ENTERPRISE BRANCH	130 Daily ex Sun
8 45AM	Lv ...... Titusville Ar	1.30PM
9 40AM	Lv ...... Maytown Lv	12 42PM
0 46AM	Ar Enterprise Lv	11 42AM
11 00AM	Ar Enterprise Junc n Lv	11 30AM

131 Daily ex Sun	KISSIMMEE VALLEY BRANCH	132 Daily ex Sun
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5 10PM	Lv Maytown Lv	12.01PM
5.52PM	Lv Geneva .... Ar	11.00AM
6 18PM	Lv Chuluota .... Ar	10.40AM
6 40PM	Lv Bithlo .... Ar	10.15AM
6.54PM	Lv Pocataw .... Ar	10.00AM
7 58PM	Lv Holopaw .... Ar	9.00AM
8 49PM	Ar Kenansville Lv	8.10AM
9 49PM	Lv Osowaw Lv	7.10AM
10 05PM	Lv Fort Drum Lv	6.50AM
11 00PM	Ar Okeechobee Lv	6.00AM

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"DEEP WATER," Our Slogan.

A good, hard surfaced road across the county from the East Coast ferry to Coronado is what the people of this section want, and they will be satisfied with nothing less.

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In the flow of water now coming from the new city well the city council has been vindicated in its action in contracting for the sinking of the well The water is claimed to be as good as could have been obtained from any of the wells previously considered as sources of supply, the location of the well is handy to the reservoir and the stand pipe and the expensive piping from outside of the city limits has been eliminated

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Coronado as a summer resort has enjoyed a better business this summer than for a number of seasons past and there is every indication that the popularity of Coronado as an ideal place in which to spend the hot summer months will continue to grow. Reports from other beach resorts are that the summer business has not been up to expectations, goes to show that with a little encouragement Coronado will set a pace in growing that will make her hard to catch by other beach resorts Given a good, hard surfaced road directly from the interior by way of the East Coast ferry as a booster, and there will be such a demand for summer accommodations at Coronado the town will be bound to grow to keep pace with the demand Every citizen of this town and this vicinity who works against that East Coast ferry road is working directly against the interests of the city and his own interests

The WEEK'S DOINGS

Miss Delia Ridge went to Jacksonville yesterday for a visit with relatives

E E Ireland is enjoying a stay of some time in Hendersonville, North Carolina.

Mrs W. R. Mathews and son Howard will leave today for a visit of a few days with relatives in Savannah.

Ernest Hendry and Merwin Wooten drove up from Cocoa Sunday and spent the day at the J H. Hibbard home.

Mrs C R. Roach and children returned Thursday from a visit of two months at Lakeland and Okeechobee.

Master Ross Armstrong, who has been on the west coast for the last three months, returned to his home here Monday.

Miss Hazel Johnson, who has been a guest of Miss Fearn Hibbard for several days, returned Wednesday to her home in Cocoa.

County Solicitor Roy Hamlin and family came over from DeLand Wednesday and will spend a couple of weeks at Coronado

Mrs H N Robertson returned Monday from a visit of two weeks with relatives and friends in Chattanooga and Savannah

Lester Robertson accompanied his brother LeRoy back to Jacksonville Monday for a visit of a week in the metropolis of the state.

Mrs Charles Hathaway and children left yesterday for points in the north, planning to be gone for the remainder of the summer

L O Larson, who took the place of Carl W Hawkins as cashier of the Fidelity bank, while the latter was away on his vacation, has returned to his home in St Augustine

Friends of Mrs Grace Julian Clarke, of Indianapolis, who spent last winter here, will be glad to learn that she expects to spend two or three months in Florida this winter and hopes to be in New Smyrna a part of the time Mrs. Clarke writes that she may spend the greater part of the time on the west coast this season

Meinhardi Gets Auto Ride—

Mr and Mrs. Vienstra of Grand Rapids are guests at the home of Mr and Mrs W E Osmun. On Wednesday they all autoed to Hart to visit ex-Judge and Mrs. F. J Russell Dr E J. Meinhardi was also one of the party —Montague (Mich) Observer

ROAD IN SOUTH END OF VOLUSIA COUNTY IS CALLED A CRIME.

Editor New Smyrna News

In last week's News I notice where someone gives you the information that the roads to the south are in bad condition

So far as Volusia county is concerned this information is absolutely right, for after turning at Day's corner, south of Oak Hill, until you reach the county line the road is not only bad, but I should call it a crime, punishable by life imprisonment

Any man who permits himself to be called a county commissioner, who has spent more money during the last year than any other commissioner, and who compels people to take their lives into their hands when they drive over such excuses for roads, absolutely dangerous, should be very severely dealt with.

Beginning at the Brevard county line and from there on south, excepting where repairs or new short cuts are being built, the roads are excellent, and the further south you get the better they are, until you reach Miami, where they can not be called roads, but should be called boulevards

To verify this let me say that we left Daytona on Thursday morning at 5 30 o'clock and arrived in Palm Beach the same evening at 7 10, taking out about two hours and fifty minutes for meals, changing tires and sight seeing

The distance covered, as registered by our speedometer, was 210 miles, which does not bear out the statement made in your paper that the roads are not in good condition especially as we made the return trip in forty minutes less time.

Respectfully,
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Daytona, Fla, Aug 30, 1915

Business School Head Coming—

A H Perry, president of the Southern Business college in Miami, has sent word here that he will be in New Smyrna soon to personally consider the matter of establishing a business college in this city. The Miami school was in the fire in that city last week Wednesday night and the head of the school has been busy since that time getting affairs straightened out He believes New Smyrna offers a splendid location for such a school

Winter Weather Up North—

C W Pennel, writing from Pennelwood, the Pennel summer place near Berrien Springs, Mich, says in a recent letter that the weather there this summer has been just about such as we had here last winter, and that they have never seen so little sunshine as during the present season. The family is planning to return here as usual for the winter, but there is a possibility that the brother's family may not come

RAN INTO FALLEN TREE, WRECKED CAR AND HURT OCCUPANTS PAINFULLY.

N. P. Thompson, a real estate dealer of Titusville, returning to his home from Daytona last Monday, with his family in the car, had a narrow escape from death when his car ran into a tree across the road The storm Monday blew five trees directly across the road and the one Mr Thompson struck was the first one of the five The road was full of water and he thought the tree was a stream until within less than 15 feet of it and then he could not stop the car in the mud within that distance. Mrs Thompson was thrown forward, striking the radiator, and received a stunning blow over the heart. She is still confined to her bed. Carlyle Thompson received a bump on his head, and the occupants of the car following, R. J. Glenn and family, were simply thrown out into the road. Mr. Thompson's car was wrecked, all the spokes of the front wheels being torn out and the front axle being bent to an angle of 45 degrees.

C. G. Herrick made a business trip to Sanford Wednesday

Interest in Proposed Band—

At a meeting of a number of the young men of the city who are interested in the matter of organizing a cornet band in New Smyrna, held in the News office Tuesday evening, it was decided to sound the sentiment of the business men on the proposition, ascertain what instruments are available and what can be done about obtaining an experienced instructor to take hold of the band for the winter season. Another meeting will be held next Tuesday evening to further discuss the proposition

Moses Meeks' Wife Dead—

One of the largest funerals held in New Smyrna recently was that of the wife of Moses Meeks, one of the best known among the colored residents of the city, held Tuesday afternoon The woman was taken ill suddenly and died within a few hours Gall stones and a complication of other diseases is given as the cause of death

Stars Entertain Masons—

Members of the Dolores chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, entertained the Masons and their wives at an informal social gathering in memory of Robert Morris, founder of the Order of Eastern Star, in the Masonic hall last Monday night The social affair was entirely informal, and was thoroughly enjoyed by those present Refreshments were served

FLORIDA WATERWAYS.

A water route across Florida that would shorten the sailing distance between Europe, the Atlantic seaboard and the ports of the Gulf has been a dream for ages, Now it is near realization

In the draining of the Everglades, that region of swamp and misery, work upon which was begun eight years ago, so much progress has been made that the end is in sight of the 275 miles of canal necessary to be dug, 150 have been completed and 105 are well on the way to completion While these canals will drain the Everglades, still other work is necessary to free the region from inundation when Lake Okeechobee overflows its banks. To overcome the Okeechobee menace a big canal is to be dug from the lake to the Atlantic

When this canal is finished it will form, with Lake Okeechobee and the Caloosahatchee Canal and River, a navigable waterway across the State.

The Florida canals were designed to reclaim about five million acres of land. Little was thought of the possibility of their use by the carriers of the commerce of the sea, yet today it is considered possible they will serve more in that way if they are deepened and broadened than in the opening of the swamp lands to agricultural development.

You Know It.

The man who really practices what he preaches does mighty little preaching.

Why Flats Are Popular.

People are still trying to answer the question of why apartment houses are so popular, but the answer should come, it would seem, without much of a struggle. It is simple. It is due to the ambition of people to have beautiful surroundings, the difficulty of securing domestic help and the growing indolence of the human race. It is not quite fair to talk about the indolence of the human race when it seems that every man and every woman's time is taxed to the utmost with affairs of one kind or another to which they are compelled to give attention. They have so many things to do that they do not get time to do the things they would like to do. This is a city argument. It will not apply to the small city to such a great extent.—Construction News.

GLEANED from the EXCHANGES

Crystal Springs people predict the record will be broken in adding members to the colony during the coming winter

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Actual construction of sand-oil roads, for which Lake county recently bonded for $500,000, has begun in the Eustis district

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Fashoin Week is to be one of the attractions in Miami during the first week in November, and at that time all of the stores in the Magic City will be dressed up in their finest and most fashionable attire The plan is being worked out in detail by a special committee of the merchants' bureau of the chamber of commerce.

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In assessing the taxes of Orlando for the ensuing year, the city council decided on a publicity fund of one mill The levy includes nine mills for general purposes and four mills for bonds and sinking fund The taxable values are realty, $4,644,270; personal, $808,970; railways, telegraphs and telephone, $171,623; making a total of $5,619,863 This is an increase of $267,559 over last year

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Commissioner Belcher of the Dixie Highway association sticks for the Melbourne route of the western branch of the highway, and in a letter to Commissioner Saxon, published in the Melbourne Times, he says he "cannot concur in the western route of the Dixie Highway (as outlined by Saxon) through the counties of Lafayette, Madison, Jefferson and Leon, joining the main line at Tallahassee"

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The new brick road which Orange county is building on the Eustis Orlando route is very fine and is being greatly appreciated by the motoring public. The road is now open from Orlando to a point within about two miles of Apopka, and will be continued to Plymouth. With Lake's sand oil road to the Orange county line, there will be but a short link in Orange county between Eustis and Orlando that will not be paved

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Eustis will in the near future have a new postoffice building and equipment as well as a new postmaster W S McClelland, president of the First State Bank, announces that he is going to erect a two-story building on the site occupied by Malusky's meat market, which was formerly occupied by the First State Bank prior to their going into the handsome three story McClelland building The ground floor will be used exclusively for postoffice purposes.

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Another new phosphate company is being organized in south Florida to be known as the Seminole Phosphate Company with headquarters at Mulberry W F Walker, a well-known chemist and expert in the phosphate business, is president, J N Hooker, president of the State Bank of Bartow, is vice-president, and E N Morrow, cashier of the Bank of Safety Harbor, is secretary Most of the product will be sold direct to the farmer for fertilizer The capital stock of the company is placed at $50,000

EFFORT BEING MADE TO FIND MAN RECENTLY HERE.

EDEN, Fla., Sept. 1.—F. P. Wilson of this place left here two weeks ago with a Jacksonville traveling man, leaving him at New Smyrna. From that city he went to Sanford and then to Tavares He wrote to his wife from New Smyrna and Tavares, saying he was going to Eustis. That was the last heard from him, and he was expected to return home from Eustis It is thought that he has either lost his identity or is ill somewhere. Inquiry has been made at various places, but no trace of him has been found

When he left home he was suffering from headaches and dizziness, caused by a blow on the back of his head from a falling cocoanut. Doctors says he is suffering from a loss of memory, from a kind of creeping concussion of the brain, which has come on very gradually, and he has probably lost his identity.

Any information as to his whereabouts will be gratefully received by his wife or J. Howard Letourneau at Eden, Fla.

William IV and Buckingham Palace.

How much William IV disliked Buckingham palace is shown by a passage in the diary of Lord Brougton, who was first commissioner of works in 1834, when the houses of parliament were burned down. Two days after the fire Broughton records: "Went to St. James, and saw his majesty I cannot say he was much affected by the calamity at having the opportunity of getting rid of Buckingham palace; said he meant it as a permanent gift for parliament houses, and that it would be the finest thing in Europe. At three o'clock the king and queen came, and went over the ruins of the two houses . The king looked gratified as if at a show, and perhaps to the prospect of getting rid of Buckingham palace Just before getting into his carriage he called the speaker and me to him, and said, 'Mind! I mean Buckingham palace as a permanent gift' Mind that!'"

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The WEEK'S DOINGS

*Let Herrick fix it.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Saxon, Friday, August 27, a fine baby boy.

Drew Almond arrived from Texas Tuesday night for a stay with his family here.

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Mrs. J. H. Ridge and children returned Monday from a stay of two months in Tennessee and Kentucky.

V. N. Ashton went to St. Augustine Saturday and returned with his wife, who has been visiting in the Ancient City.

D. P. Smith and family, who have been spending several weeks at the beach, moved back to the city this week.

D. N. Disbennett and family, who have been occupying the Goodwin cottage on the beach for the last two weeks, moved back to town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Branning have returned from Coronado, where they have been spending three weeks at the Atlantic house, and Mr. Branning has resumed his place in the State bank.

LeRoy Robertson, who is employed as a boilermaker in the railroad shops in Jacksonville, came down Saturday to spend a short time at the home of his parents, Mr. and H. N. Roberston.

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Miss Stella Botts came over from DeLand Friday for a visit with Mrs. Herman Andrews.

Mrs. W. H. Coombs and little son left Wednesday for a stay of two weeks with relatives in Lake City.

Mrs. G. B. Thomas and two children returned Friday from a visit of two weeks in Hastings and St. Augustine.

Mrs. Wilbur Griffin and baby left Monday for West Palm Beach to spend a few days with Mr. Griffin's sister, Mrs. Schien.

J. R. Ellis is enjoying a vacation from his duties with the railroad and left Wednesday for Tennessee for a visit with his parents.

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J. H. Hibbard and family, who have been occupying the Newell cottage at the beach through the month of August, moved back to their town home Tuesday.

Mrs. F. D. Hamilton and daughters Frances and Veronica and son Dwight arrived home Saturday from a stay of several weeks in the north, the most of the time being spent at Zanesville, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Smith and two children and Mrs. Smith's two sisters, Miss Claribel Godfrey and Mrs. Thomas of Archer, and brother Dewey of Jacksonville, moved over to the beach Tuesday for a stay of a week.

Miss Claribel Godfrey, who has been spending some time with relatives in Archer and Jacksonville, arrived home Sunday. She was accompanied by her brother, Dewey, of Jacksonville, and her sister, Mrs. Thomas, of Archer, who are to stay for a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Yarbrough left Wednesday for New York City. They will spend a week at Washington, D. C., and after spending two weeks sight seeing they will return to New Smyrna and spend the rest of their vacation in this vicinity, camping at DeLeon Springs and other places. Mrs. Woodard and the children accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Yarbrough as far as Columbia, S. C.

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Misses Ellen and Francis Alcott, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Alcott, left Sunday for Memphis, Tenn., for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. Mae Ferreira-Lewis and little son Robert and sister Nellie left Sunday for Fort Pierce for a visit of several days with friends.

D. C. Silvers and family returned Sunday evening from New Jersey, where they have been spending a vacation of several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Elias returned yesterday from their comtined business and pleasure trip to New York and other points in the north.

Miss Cornelia Smith left Monday for a stay of several weeks at Sullivan, Ind., and other points in the middle west, as the guest of friends.

Mayor and Mrs. W. H. Newell went to DeLand Wednesday morning and drove back the mayor's car, which had been left at the county seat for an overhauling.

C. A. Grimsley, superintendent of the northern division of the East Coast railroad, returned Tuesday from a vacation of a couple of weeks spent with relatives in Georgia.

Norman Berry and W. L. McEver will leave today for Clarkesville, Ga., where Mr. McEver's parents recently moved. From there they will go to Hendersonville, North Carolina, where Norman will spend his vacation.

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George Pease, who came over from Sorrento last week with his wife and baby, returned to that place Monday, leaving his family here with Mrs. Westall. Mr. Pease will come back in two weeks to enjoy a few days fishing and take his wife and baby back home.

Postcards and letters received by friends of G. W. Tanner and E. K. Ashton, who left here last week for the west, say they are now in Denver, Colorado. They stopped at a number of places on the way to Denver and say they are thoroughly enjoying the trip.

Parent-Teachers' Club—

The Parent-Teachers' club will hold a meeting this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of the president, Mrs. G. L. Branning, for the purpose of making plans for a reception to be given the teachers of the New Smyrna public school at the opening of the term the last of this month. A full attendance of the members of the club is desired.

Motored from Palm Beach—

H. W. House and J. C. Crichlow arrived home Sunday morning about 1 o'clock from their auto trip to Fellsmere and West Palm Beach. They left West Palm Beach Saturday morning at 7 o'clock and stopped two hours at New Smyrna enroute home. They found the roads in good condition and enjoyed a smooth trip.—St. Augustine Record.

Dr. W. J. Howey Coming Here—

A letter from Dr. William J. Howey at Wichita, Kansas, says he contemplates returning to New Smyrna to open an office for the practice of chiropractics in this city. Mr. Howey was a dispatcher in the division offices of the F. E. C. railroad in this city in 1910. Since that time he has taken the course in chiropractics and is now practicing in Wichita. He owns land near here and plans to return to New Smyrna to make his permanent home.

Cleaning Up Vacant Lots—

Mayor Newell has a force of men busy these days cleaning up the vacant lots about the city and the cost of the work will be charged as a lien against the property. The city ordinance provides that all property owners shall keep their premises and parkages clean, and in case they fail to do so the city shall do the work and charge the cost against the property. The mayor proposes to have the whole city put in good shape while he is at the work of cleaning up.

Last of the Coal Burners—

Last week saw the final run of a coal-burning engine on the south end of the Florida East Coast railway, and from now on the oil burners will hold the limelight. Several of the oil burners have been placed in the service on the Key West-Miami division, but it was not until last Thursday that the last coal burner was put out of commission on that stretch of road. The oil burners are giving the officials genuine satisfaction and it is also a source of much joy to persons living along the right of way, dispensing as it does with the coal dust nuisance.—Miami Herald.

"DAMN FLORIDA."

Not seldom is there a criticism of Florida, Florida lands, Florida enterprises and Florida people in various papers of the north. Invariably these attacks are taken up and refuted by the press of Florida, but the newspapers of the state usually refrain from judging or criticising the state from which the attack comes. However, the following from the Clearwater Sun will be approved by many of the people of this state:

The attorney-general of Kansas is credited with making the remark that "Florida land is not worth a damn."

That's his privilege and undoubtedly his pleasure and mode of expression.

Kansas is a state which has hatched out Sockless Simpsons, Carry Nations, Whiskered Pfeffers and a lot of other freaks and a damning high state official is not out of the ordinary.

Something has happened to rile this dignity. He probably attended the closing hours of the last Kansas legislature when five or six million dollars' appropriations were put through in chorus in five minutes, all committeemen reading their appropriation bills at the same time, and he had to damn something.

Or probably he was in the Wichita boom when you couldn't tell where Wichita left off and Newton began; when farmers mortgaged $10,000 farms to buy town lots in Wichita, which were afterwards worth ten cents.

Or probally he owned some of that Kansas land that you would have to nail down at night to keep it from blowing over into the next township.

But he ought to have damned his own state.

We know that state.

We lived in it.

We have seen it 40 below zero in winter and 120 above zero in summer. We have seen blizzards that froze cattle stiff in their tracks, and we have seen summer so hot that cattle went mad from the heat.

We have seen floods that covered 20 miles of the Arkansas River bottom and drowned people like rats and we have seen the same river stream so devoid of water that catfish were running around with tin cups in their mouths begging for water.

We have seen hot winds that cooked a whole township of corn over night so that a lighted match would have incinerated the whole crop.

We have seen chinch bugs and grasshoppers devastate the country like it had been run over by an army of goats.

We have seen cyclones and tornadoes and hunted cyclone cellars with the avidity of a prairie dog.

We have seen prairie fires that caused one to repeat the Ten Commandments and wish that he had taken out life insurance.

We have seen rains that flowed through key holes like a squirt gun was behind the force that made it possible to penetrate such a small aperture.

We have seen farmers coming to town dressed in cowskins, the women folks wearing gunny sacks on their feet for shoes, and rags for outer garments.

We have seen them burning cow chips for fuel, and eating gophers and jack rabbits.

We have seen four years of famine when a silver dollar looked as big as a mill stone.

We could take a few more rods of space to tell of the joys of living in Kansas, and why this attorney-general goes 2,000 miles to find a place to damn we cannot understand.

He ought to begin at home.

Or he, at least, ought to visit Florida, or live in Florida, as we have lived, and then his comparison or deductions would have more weight.

If this damning official will come to Florida we will show him a tract of land of 25,000 acres he could not buy for less than $500,000, and it raises 150 bushels of corn to the acre, 100 bushels of rust-proof oats to the acre and 100 barrels of Irish potatoes to the acre.

We will put up $1,000, if he will cover it, that we will take 10 acres of Florida soil, and have it produce more in dollars and cents in five years, than any 10 acres in Kansas in the same length of time.

But this damning official probably is running for office and desires to popularize himself by playing to the Kansas farmer.

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On Church and State

The recent action of one of the leading churches of this nation, in annual convention, demanding that the laymen vote only for candidates for office whose views coincide with those of the clergy on one of the leading political issues, and direct and indirect efforts of other church organizations to interfere with the freedom of the ballot, make one of the greatest perils of this age, and present a problem that should receive thoughtful consideration of both laymen and citizens.

Suckling babes may well squirm in their cradles when ministers in convention assembled release the hearts of men and grab them by the throat, for Christianity has broken down, religion has become a farce and the pulpit a failure. When the church substitutes force for persuasion, command for conviction and coercion for reason, the sheriff had as well pass the sacrament, plain-clothes men take charge of the altar and policemen bury the dead, for why a church?

It is as dastardly a crime against government for a minister to undertake to deliver the votes of his parishioners to a candidate, as it is for a ward heeler to deliver a block of votes to a political boss, and both ought to be prosecuted, for the law should be no respecter of persons.

It is as objectionable for a convention of ministers to seek by canonical law to control the votes of church members as it would be for a convention of manufacturers to issue orders for their employees to vote for a certain candidate. Such conduct is offensive to decency, business morals and a crime against society. Any convention, whether composed of saints or sinners, rich or poor, white or black, that seeks to prostitute power and coerce conscience ought to be broken up by the police and its leaders arrested for treason.

A crime by any other name is a crime just the same. An ecclesiastical robe cannot sanctify treason, authority to preach does not carry with it license to become a political ringster, or the right to teach us how to pray give a permit to tell us how to vote. No man in joining the church should sacrifice his citizenship, forfeit his constitutional liberties or subordinate his duty to the state. The earth many times has been drenched with the blood of our forefathers fighting to throw off the ecclesiastical yoke from the state, and the suggestion of a return to these mediaval conditions with their horror and their torture should not be tolerated for a moment.

Laws should be passed prohibiting any preacher, or combination of preachers, from delivering or attempting to deliver their membership or congregation to any candidate for office, and suitable legislation should be passed preserving the sanctity of the pulpit from political vandalism. It is as much a menace to church and state for a politician to occupy the pulpit as for a minister to preach a political sermon. He has no more right to preach his politics from the pulpit than a teacher has to teach his politics to his pupils. A preacher cannot make political trickery righteous by usage any more than he can make profanity respectable by practice. It is one of the ironies of fate that a preacher may become a scandal as well as a glory to civilization.

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William Kelley, Noted Life-Termer in Limelight through Pardon of Old Side-Partner

Once again William Kelley, serving a life term in the state convict camps, and whose crimes and attempted escapes have, at various times, placed him prominently before the people of the state of Florida, is in the limelight to certain extent, and this time because his partner in the alleged murder of W C Sellars at High Springs some 12 or 15 years ago, is said to have been pardoned by the state pardoning board.

It will be reomembered that W. C. Sellars, as a special agent for the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, was sent to High Springs to try to break up the gang which had been looting rail road cars and terrorizing the com munity The special agent was killed from ambush and Kelley and "Shorty" Davidson were convicted of the crime and sent to the turpentine camps for life

Kelley was turned over to the De-Leon Naval Stores company and put to work with the gang at the state camp on the DeLand-Daytona road Kelley was known as a dangerous and cunning man and was closely watched for a time after arriving at the camp, but in spite of this precaution he made his escape from the camp, having bribed a guard named Smith

Smith and Kelley made their way to Tampa, and the story of their escape and Kelley s treatment of Smith have previously been told in these columns Smith was captured at Tampa and brough back, tried and sent to the camps on the charge of aiding a prisoner to escape Kelley was not so easily located, however and the search for him continued for months He was finally located in Cuba working as a deck hand on a barge, brought back to this state and returned to the camp from which he made his escape

Since that time Kelley has been so closely watched that he has made no further effort to escape

The pardoning of "Shorty" David son has again reminded the citizens of the cold blooded murder of Special Agent Sellars and the part Davidson and Kelley are believed to have taken in it, and has recalled the sensational escape of Kelley from the camp in this county

Referring to the pardoning of David son, the Tampa Times has the following editorial, under the heading, Has Justice Been Ravished in Florida?"

"Although we have reveived no report on the subject from Tallahassee The Times has been informed by one of the bravest and most reliable officers of the law in Florida that "Shorty" Davidson was pardoned last week by the pardon board, and returned Saturday to his old haunts in High Springs, Alachua county If this is the case justice has assuredly been ravished through misuse of the pardoning power, for no legitimate reason could be advanced for relieving Davidson of the penalty that was imposed upon him

It is hardly necessary to inform people who have lived in Florida ten or fifteen years as to the identity of "Shorty" Davidson, but for the benefit of newcomers we will say that he was sent to the penitentiary, for how many years we do not remember, for complicity in the murder of W C Sellars, a one time police lieutenant of Tampa, who had been sent to High Springs as a special agent by the Atlantic Coast Line railway in the hope that he would be able to break up a band of thugs and thieves, of which Davidson was declared to be the main spirit Because of his bravery Sellars was shot to death from ambush, and, after a hard fight in the courts, Davidson and a side partner, Kelley, was sent to the turpentine camps Kelley escaped, was recaptured, and is supposed to be doing service now. Davidson did not attempt to escape and now, according to our informant, has been released

For years, High Springs, which contains as many good citizens as any community of equal size in Florida, was regarde as "hell on earth" because of mysterious murders and continued robberies of Coast Line freight cars Many special agents were sent to High Springs in the hope that they would be able to end the depredations of the thugs, and every man who undertook the task took his life in his hands No sign of peace came until Sellars went to his death and Davidson and Kelley went to the turpentine camps Since that time High Springs has been as law-abiding a community as can be found anywhere

On the day of the Sellars murder the writer was visiting Gainesville, seat of Alachua county, on business, and even in that city, where courageous men abound, Davidson and his gang were held in fear Charlie Eaton, D. Bryan and other detectives who attempted to bring the guilty men to justice received threatening letters, and the writer also received one because of the news stories written about the operations of the Davidson gang

Considering the manner in which the good people of High Springs were terrorized for years, also the cowardly manner in which Sellars was killed, we again declare that the pardon of Davidson, even though he may not have committed the actual crime of murdering Sellars, is a travesty on justice

There was no excuse for releasing him, and the issuance of pardon in such cases serves only to inspire imposed - upon people to act as those Georgians in the Leo Frank case.

Peter the Great.

What Alfred the Great is to early Britain, that Peter the Great, in his crude way, is to Russia If ever a race of people found adequate expression in one person, that race was the Slavic race in their great czar.—Century

Optimistic Thought.

He who can at all times sacrifice pleasure to duty approaches sublimity.

Australians Prefer the City.

More than one-third of Australia's residents live in four cities—Sydney, Adelaide, Melbourne and Brisbane.

Aeroplane Testing.

In a French aeroplane factory wings are testing by turning machines upside down and loading them with sand, evenly distributed, until a weight exceeding the pressure the wings must withstand is reached.

Getting Rid of Warts.

To Get rid of warts bathe them in vinegar two or three times a day and put collodion on at night Another often successful cure for warts is to press upon them until a pain shoots through them, as though a needle had been stuck into your flesh They will shortly after dry up and disappear.

Watch Designed for the Blind.

For the blind there has been invented a watch with the hours so marked by raised dots and dashes that it can be read by the sense of touch.

Substitute for Spectacles.

If you forget your specs take a piece of paper, perforate it with numerous holes, place the paper close to your eye and hold the reading matter at a distance This method will relieve the plight of forgetful ones, says Dr. M Lesage.

The Mandolin.

The mandolin is of Italian origin, though it is impossible to give the time or place of its first use From Italy the instrument was gradually introduced into France and Spain, from which countries it made its way to the rest of Europe, reaching this country with the coming of the Spaniards at the beginning of the sixteenth century

Archaeological Find.

Some interesting remains of an old Friary have been brought to light during alterations to Cromwell House the site of the birthplace of Oliver Cromwell, at Huntingdon, England. The remains include the base of a wall with parts of two doorways The foundation of a large chimney stack has been found, and in one hearth ashes still remained. The house is believed to have been founded by the Augustinian Friars shortly before 1285.

Looking on the Dark Side.

The Optimist—"That boy will be president some day" The Pessimist—"That boy will be vice-president some day."—Puck.

Unchivalrous Comment.

Professor Rippman of London announces that girls begin to talk earlier than boys. Yep! Earlier, oftener, longer and later —Exchange

Looking Backward.

Certainly we get sense as we grow older. Every man can remember when he wanted a revolver and a mandolin. —Pittsburgh Post.

Charles Lamb's Eyes Remarkable.

Charles Lamb is described as having glittering eyes strangely dissimilar in color, one being hazel, the other having specks of gray in the iris, as you see red spots in the bloodstone.

Turkey Was Called "Indian Fowl."

The turkey, so far as records are known, was introduced into England in 1524, brought probably from the port of Cadiz, where ships trading with the Orient were accustomed to call In nearly all countries, inclusive of Spain, and even Turkey itself, this bird is called the "Indian fowl."

To Remove Tattooing.

French army surgeons have found that a mixture of freshly slaked lime and phosphorus will remove tattooing so that it cannot be detected.

WESLEY HERRICK WRITES OF ROADS SOUTH OF HERE

WORST ROADS OF EAST COAST HIGHWAY SAID TO BE IN SOUTH END OF VOLUSIA COUNTY. — OTHER GOOD ROADS.

(From The Daytona Gazette-News)

Editor Gazette News: Having read much about the roads of our state, and being very much interested in good roads, I am taking the liberty of giving you my impression of the roads on the East Coast Having been a resident of this state for 38 years, I have seen the roads improve, from year to year, from sand roads to shell and marl, from shell and marl to oil surfaced and brick roads, until today there are thousands of miles of fine roads, one of the most southern counties of the state having nearly one thousand miles of the best roads in the state

On Thursday, the 26th day of August a party of five having been arranged in a few minutes' time, left Daytona at 5 35 a m "Red Bill Goldenberg, of the Daytona Beach garage, Max Leidersdorf, the versatile real estate man, C H Smith, representing the Savannah Plumbing Supply company C K Barnhart, the contractor, and the writer, composed the party who set out with nothing but a quart thermos bottle of ice water and a clear conscience, in a good, sturdy old "Selden" A motor never sang a sweeter tune than did ours The morning was clear and fine and the roads good as we spun south through Port Orange and New Smyrna down to Oak Hill, and on south to the turn of the road, and the worst we found on our way was the stretch from that point to the south line of Volusia county

From the north line of Brevard county the roads began to improve and we arrived in Titusville in time for some of the party (names not mentioned) to get breakfast

After a stop of one hour we were again under way, down the shores of the beautiful Indian river, roads getting better all the time, with the exception of one detour, where they were working on them After passing that detour we flew on south, through City Point, past orange groves with the road rising to the high banks of the river, on to Cocoa, where we made our first stop for gasoline In a few minutes we were under way again flying on through Rockledge and Cocoa, with roads still good, on through Eau Gallie, across the Eau Gallie river, toward Melbourne

Here we made another detour of a quarter of a mile, where they are finishing the road We came out on the river shore at Melbourne Heights Here we had an unbroken view of the Indian river, at one of its most beautiful points, north and south as far as the eye could reach

Now and then the car was full of song and laughter, jokes and reminiscences, and the motor seemed to gather the spirits of the party as on south it purred, through Melbourne, Tillman, Malabar, Grant and Micco, to the Sebastian river Here a large sign hangs across the road reading "St. Lucie county, 150 miles rock surfaced roads," and we flew on to Sebastian where we stopped for lunch at the Mills hotel

Although we were informed we were late, and they had served 25 extra, the "Red Snapper" which was their extra that day was exhausted, we had an excellent lunch, filled the radiator with water, and were again slipping the miles behind us through Quay, Gifford, Vero and Oslo

Just beyond this town we heard a sharp report, and the right rear wheel bumped along the ground as we came to a stop We changed tires and in 20 minutes were again under way, but destined to another change, as, when we had covered six or seven miles, the same tires began to drag again, and we found the tube had blown, this was changed and we rolled in to Fort Pierce Here we got a tire on that offending rear wheel and once more steered south along the high banks of the river among the Palmetto and oak trees, with sometimes a cocoanut palm, on the finest roads it has been my lot to find in the state, of an equal distance.

We encountered an odor here, not like roses, from the rotting seaweed and turtle grass along the shore, which was far from pleasant. On the other hand stretched fields of pineapples, over high rolling hills, among orange groves and an ever changing tropical foliage

Reaching the St Lucie river at 4:45 we took the ferry landing at Stuart In a few minutes we were under way again, on roads not quite so good, but still not bad, and we feel that there is some excuse for this, as they recently hda some bad washouts, owing to the breakage of the locks in the drainage canals, caused by the heavy rains, and the accumulation of water in the Everglade country

We arrived at West Palm Beach at 7:07 p m., having made the two hundred miles, including stops, in 13 hours and 32 minutes

We stopped at the Lake Park hotel where we were well taken care of, and after looking the country over to our satisfaction, we started on the return, minus the genial "Smitty," (who pushed on south to Key West), making the trip in about the same time

We take off our hats to St Lucie county for good roads, as when you cross the Sebastian river, town limits and the ability of your car are the only factors to prevent 60 miles an hour, but you must watch for the "safety first" signs at the short turns There is absolutely not a break in the road from one end of the county to the other

We also "take off our hats" to Brevard county for its bridges over the small runs and creeks They are constructed of concrete and there is no bump or jar when you cross them We believe in the near future the unfinished portions of this road will be completed, and there will be an unbroken good road from the south line of Volusia county to Miami, where they have ceased to build roads and are putting in boulevards

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That's a Hard Call.

The married man who hasn't anything running around his house but a fence is always the lad who doesn't like the way the fool neighbors raise their children —Cumberland Press.

Refrain From Scolding.

Scolding is not necessary in order to emphasize a rebuke, and sometimes the reproof that is tactful and kind, makes the most impression of all —Exchange

Laughing in the Sleeve.

In ancient times the sleeves of all outer garments were very wide and when a person covered his face with his hand there might be a suspicion that he was laughing in his sleeve

First Guns in England

When Edward IV returned to England in 1471, ten years after he succeeded to the throne, he obtained some forces from his brother-in-law, the duke of Burgundy, including 300 Flemings armed with hand guns, thus being the first to introduce these weapons into England Afterward they became common At first they were fired by the application of a lighted match to the powder by the hand The match was a wick lighted and pressed against the powder in the pan The invention of a lock to fire the powder in place of the hand was suggested by the trigger of the crossbow The matchlock fired the arquebus, or harquebus, used by the soldiers of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, in projecting a ball which weighed nearly two ounces.

Gentle Eyed Seal.

Seals are still numerous and are disliked by Labrador fishermen Dr. Grenfell says that he has known a seal to haunt a net so persistently that to get any fish the owner had to watch all the while at one end of it, and even then the seal would almost snap off the fisherman's hand as he raced to be first to disentangle the salmon

Hens Kept Busy.

There are used daily in the United States about 50,000,000 eggs.

How Perfectly Horrid!

When a lady insists on keeping on her hat in a theater, doesn't she afford ground for the suspicion that she hasn't got pretty hair?—Charleston News and Courier

On the Road to Intemperance.

Testimony in a Chicago court shows that a husband from whom a divorce is desired drank eight or nine whiskies every morning before breakfast and about thirty more before going to bed It is drinking of this sort that so often leads a man into intemperance before he realises it.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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ORMOND

ORMOND, Sept. 1—The Ormond basebal team played at Daytona last Thursday and was defeated by a score of 2 to 0

Mrs Udora Watson returned to Ormond last Friday Mrs Watson had spent the greater part of the summer at Chautauqua, N Y, and reports a most delightful time

Miss Ethel Francis is expected home next Sunday Miss Francis has spent the month of August with relatives in Connecticut, and stops at New York City on her return trip to purchase stock for the J E Francis company store

Mr and Mrs Hope Fagin and Misses Lillian and Julia Seabloom returned last week from a pleasant trip to various points in the east

There will be no church services at the Union church during the month of September The hour for Sunday school will be 10 00 o'clock, instead of 9 30, vesper services will be held at 5 00 o'clock It is hoped that this service may be well atended, for it will be mostly a service of song and praise.

Mr and Mrs Stanley Carnell have moved from the Miller cottage on Highland avenue to the residence of James Carnell

Mrs Frank Mason very pleasantly entertained Monday afternoon and evening in honor of Miss Nellie Holden, of Jacksonville Her guests were Misses Any and Margaret Shaw, Mary Corre, Edith Stanton, Dorothy Daub and Messrs Herbert Price, Harold and Francis Waldron, Burwell Thornton and Ben Shaw

Mrs J D Price entertained Tuesday evening at her home on the peninsula, quite a party of young people A most delightful time was reported by all present

Mrs Lulu Hall, Saturday, received the sad news of the death of her brother, whose home was in Alabama. Her friends here extend their sympathy

"Sun Follower."

The old name of the sunflower was solsecle, the sun follower The ancient sunflower or sun follower, was the marigold; the tall plants of the present day are of American origin

Same Thing.

Doctor—"You must go away for a long rest." Overworked Merchant—"But, doctor I'm too busy to get away" Doctor—"Well, then, you must stop advertising."

Fact Not Generally Known.

Contrary to general belief, the Babes in the Wood were not innocent darlings, but outlaws who infested the hills of County Wicklow, Ireland, many years ago.

Washing Greasy Utensils.

It is a good plan to wipe out all greasy utensils with a piece of soft paper before washing. This simplifies the washing process. Destroy the paper immediately.

Hard Proposition.

At a recent meeting of a society composed of men from the Emerald isle a member made the following motion: "Mr President, I move yee's that we whitewash the ceiling green in honor of the ould flag."—San Francisco Argonaut.

China's Cattle Industry.

Contrary to general belief, China not only raises cattle in large numbers, but exports frozen beef in quantities which have now assumed a commercial magnitude of such size that world-wide possibilities may be expected in time to come. Upward of 200,000 cowhides are annually exported from Shanghai.

CHANGE IN THE PRIMARY ELECTION LAW

The Bryan Primary Election law originally required a new registration for every primary election

The recent legislature amended the law, legalizing the registration of last year for future elections and doing away with a new registration every two years, except in counties that had a city of over 20 000 population

It is also ordered the supervisors of the various counties to transfer to the regular county registration books the names of all persons who may have or may register in the primary registration books

The new law went into effect the first of August

Napoleon Near Capture

After the passage of the Mincio (at Valeggio) Napoleon, having concerted all his plans and pursued the enemy in every direction, entered a castle on the left bank of the river He was troubled with a headache and used a foot bath A large detachment of the enemy, in great confusion, arrived, having ascended the river as far as the castle Napoleon was there and only a few persons were with him, the sentinel on duty at the gate had just time to close it, exclaiming, "To arms!" and the general of the army of Italy, in the hour of victory, was compelled to escape through the back gate of the gardens with but one boot on!—"The Napoleon Anecdotes," W H. Ireland.

Due for a Jolt.

Those people who have an impression that the wheels wouldn't go 'round if they sat down and folded their arms will get a sharp jolt sooner or later

Humane Turkish Laws.

It is unlawful in Turkey to seize a man's residence for debt, and sufficient land to support him is also exempt from seizure

Only Way to Make Character.

You cannot dream yourself into a character, you must hammer and forge yourself into one.—Froude.

Optimistic Thought.

The dull world hath need of you.

Knew Whereof He Spoke.

One day, in the lively old time of cowboy activities, a timid tenderfoot at Bitter Creek asked tremblingly if that bad man, Bill Busher, was hanging around there yet. "No," replied the native who was asked. "But he was last week." "Are you sure?" said the tenderfoot. "Positive. I had hold of the rope"

The Best Collateral.

Even at a bank a man's best collateral is character.—Youth's Companion.

Optimistic Thought.

One's duty is to accept the challenge of the passing day

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BOOK DIXIE HIGHWAY

ASSOCIATION HAS NOT AUTHORIZED ANY INDIVIDUAL OR CONCERN TO ISSUE A GUIDE BOOK OF THE HIGHWAY.

(From The Daytona Gazette-News)

Secretary Benford Deacon of the Daytona Board of trade is in receipt of the following letter in regard to guide book of the Dixie highway:

"Dear Sir: For the protection of your merchants, and members of your organization, the Dixie Highway association wishes to advise you that this association has not authorized any individual or concern to issue a guide book of the Dixie highway.

"We feel that it would be manifestly unfair to the touring public, the advertiser and to this association to publish such a guide at this time.

"Although practically every county is at work, or has the money in hand to build its section of the highway, a guide book inviting tourists to travel over the highway before next year, would result in the highway receiving a serious setback.

"It is impossible for the present to give an accurate routing of the Dixie highway, owing to the fact that there are several questions of routing to be decided by the commissioners appointed by the governors of the several states.

"When the directors feel that the time has arrived when such a guide book, which will contain only official and accurate information regarding the highway, and the territory through which it traverses, can be issued so that it will be of real service to the tourist, and not merely an advertising scheme published for private gain, an official guide, compiled by the Dixie highway association's own accredited representatives will be published.

"Won't you kindly have your local papers give publicity to this matter, in the interest of the Dixie highway movement? Very truly yours,

THE DIXIE HIGHWAY ASS'N,
V. D. L. Robinson, Asst. Secy."

When It Would Count.

"Of course, I shrieked when I thought there was a burglar in the house," said young Mrs. Torkins. "What did your husband do?" "Charley looked at me with deep reproach and asked why I couldn't holler that way once in a while when the home team needed a boost."—Washington Star.

Peculiar Belief in Holland.

There are myths told in Holland that some time their entire land will be raised above the level of the sea and the dikes will then be nothing but a memory. Prior to 1713 the land was higher than it now is. At one time the Zuider Zee, the great inland gulf of Holland, sank. The Zuider Zee was covered formerly with a great forest. The trees are still to be found on the floor of the Zuider Zee just as they were hundreds of years ago. The legends tell that a promise was made that the sea would restore the Zuider Zee to the land again.

She Wanted a Coffee Calculator.

In a South side home there is a cockney cook with an unusual facility for the misuse of words. One morning this week she said to her mistress: "'Ow much would one of those coffee calculators cost?" "Why," asked the mistress soberly, "are you percolating on getting one?"—Kansas City Star.

Drawing a Bead.

"Did you follow the thread of her discourse?" "No; I soon saw that she just wanted to string me."—Judge.

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COUNTIES COMPARED

The Bureau of the Census made public the per capita indebtedness of Florida.

The wide range of per capita indebtedness is shown by the fact that the people of Levy county carry a debt of only 40 cents a head, while the per capita indebtedness of Manatee county is $85.10.

The per capita indebtedness of various Florida counties, as given by the Census Bureau, is as follows:

Alachua, $13.99; Baker, $2.82; Bradford, $2.13; Brevard, $2.96; Calhoun, $1.30; Citrus, $12.04; Clay, $11.87; Columbia, $15.68; Dade, $70.73; DeSoto, $7.79; Duval, $53; Escambia, $37.10; Franklin, $11.45; Gadsden, $5 94; Hamilton, $6.64; Hernando, $11.84; Holmes, $1.44; Jackson, $9.33; Jefferson, $5.15; Lafayette, 9 cents; Lake, 1.90; Lee, $5.11; Leon, $13.79; Levy, 40 cents; Liberty, $1.76. Madison, $4.94; Manatee, $85.10; Monroe, $31.74; Marion, $7 35; Nassau, $13.24; Orange, $18.15; Osceola, $5.89; Palm Beach, $62.87; Pasco, $5.20; Polk, $22.40; Putnam, $30 37; St.Lucie, $52.78; Santa Rosa, $4.97; Sumter, $5.31; Suwannee, $9.39; Taylor, $7.94; Volusia, $8.77; Wakulla, $1.89; Walton, $5.39; Washington, $4.37.

The bureau announces that the per capita indebteodness of Hillsboro, Pinellas and St. Johns counties had not been computed. The St. Johns county records were destroyed by fire.

Bracing the Will.

I think it rather fine, this necessity for the tense bracing of the will before anything worth doing can be done. I rather like it myself. I feel it to be the chief thing that differentiates me from the cat by the fire.—Arnold Bennett.

Regular Accounting.

Elsie—"When Betty married old Moneybags she gave her age as twenty-five. She's older than that." Flo—"Oh, I suppose she allowed one-third off for cash."—Dallas News.

Took His Mind Off.

"He was a very good man, my husband, though he would often say, "Don't make me go to church too much, Hattie; it takes my mind off religion."—American Magazine.

Insulted.

"I understand your husband lost his suit on a technicality, Mrs. Nurich." "Pardon me, sir; I'll have you understand that my husband pays cash for his clothes."—Buffalo Express

Poor Opinion of Lawyer.

"Prisoner, have you anything to say?" "Only this, your honor. I'd be mighty sorry if th' young lawyer you assigned to me was ever called upon to defend an innocent man."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

No One Told Him.

A man was caught in the yards of the Premier Motor Manufacturing company the other day while helping himself to a liberal supply of coal. His captor, grabbing him by the collar, asked: "Who told you to pick up that coal?" "Nobody told me, sir," replied the man. "I just needed it."—Indianapolis News.

Readin' Not Writin'.

A little girl, visiting away from home, received a joint letter from her parents. Papa's half was typewritten, mamma's postscript written by hand. Said Marion in reply: "Dear dad, the letter from you and muther jest came, the part from you was nicest, 'cause it was readin' and hers was writin'."

Yes, There Are Many.

It's wonderful how many people there are who resemble the small boy, who peels his apple to commence with, but eats the peel after all.

Keep Up the Effort.

Fight like a good soldier; and if thou sometimes fall through frailty, take again greater strength than before, trusting in my more abundant grace.—Thomas a'Kempis.

Fashioned by Adversity.

Many a man never found himself until he lost all he had. Adversity stripped him only to discover him. Hardships and obstacles are the mallet and chisel which shape strong lives into beauty. The hardships of poverty may bring out the diamond in us. We always do our best while fighting desperately and faithfully to attain what the heart covets.

Earth Tremors in Japan.

It is said that about fourteen hundred earth tremors were felt in Japan last year.

Whistling for Health.

A doctor has discovered that whistling is good for the health. It fills the lungs with invigorating oxygen, and this revivifies flagging spirits and flabby muscles. Boys are prone to be broader-chested than girls and better constructed for deep muscular tones because of the lung exercise which accompanies whistling, and one of the first things they try to do when they're passed babyhood is to whistle.

DAYTONA BEACH.

DAYTONA BEACH, Sept. 1.—Miss Callie Mims writes her brother, Robert Mims, from Schenectady, N. Y., that their friend Miss Capron is rapidly recovering from her serious illness.

Sydney Treadwell and wife, of St. Augustine, came down Saturday afternoon of last week to visit Rev. and Mrs. John Treadwell. Mr. Treadwell returned Monday leaving his wife for a few days longer visit with his parents.

A. Vande Vord, wife and son, left last Monday for a short visit at Mr. Vande Vord's old home in Toronto.

Dr. Guy, with his mother-in-law, Mrs. Smith, left Tuesday morning for a trip in the middle western states. Their first stop will be in Michigan, where Mrs. Smith will visit with friends and relatives. Dr. Guy will visit relatives in Nebraska before they return.

Registered at the Palms from Tavares are Sheriff Smith, wife and daughter, together with the deputy sheriff who motored over for a few days' stay on the beach.

W. Goldenburg, with Wesley Herrick and C K. Barnhart, motored down to Palm Beach last week. They report a pleasant trip and roads in good condition.

Mr. and Mrs. James Moyer and Miss Jessie McKay, of Gainesville, returned this week to their homes after a Ocean Spray.

The young girls house party chaperoned by Mrs. W. H. Courteney, disbanded Monday morning, each returning to their respective homes after a most enjoyable week, all voting Mrs. Courtney a most capable chaperon On the last day of the stay a real "spread" was enjoyed by all to which a few outsiders were invited.

Geo. P. Johnson and little son, Lawrence, returned Saturday from Jacksonville. Mr. Johnson made the trip on account of business.

Mrs. Shores entertained Monday forenoon at the residence of Mrs. R Q. Hawley, in honor of Miss Florence, the occasion being a handkerchief shower for the prospective bride.

Mrs. E. S. Vanclief and two daughters and Miss M. E. Russell, of Glenwood, are comfortably located in the Harroun apartment for the remainder of the summer.

Mrs. Chas. C. Stevens and daughter, Miss Marion, and friend, Miss Eva Bartholomew, have secured rooms in the Harroun apartment for a stay of several weeks.

Registered at the Oyama for the week end were S. Golden, of Umatilla: Guy Stafford, Sanford; S. H. Usher, of North Carolina; J. Smith and R. Subers, Anniston, Ala.; W. F. Whitley and party, Umatilla; W. J. Drawdey, Higley.

H. F. Coates and wife have just returnde after a week's outing at Tarpon Springs.

Last Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Green Cannon chaperoned a party of fourteen young people to Ponce Park for a stay of several days.

Misses Margaret Wright and Anna McLaughlin after a visit of several weeks with Miss Elsie Coates, have returned to their home in Sanford.

Miss Martha Fox after a pleasant visit with Miss Ruth Stewart has returned to her home in Sanford.

The Young Men's Class of the Methodist Sunday school extends a cordial invitation to every young man of the community to join this large and growing class and have a part in the winter's festivities.

Registered at the Seaside Inn: J. P. Chittenden, O. P. Herndon and V E. Douglas and wife, of Sanford; Mrs Edith Bagley, DeLand; E. S. VanCleif C. B. Van Cleif, Misses Charlotte Conrad and Lottie Conrad, Glenwood; Carl Dawson, Orlando: Rev. S. C. Hutton, Atlanta; R. M. Moseley and Mrs. B. M. Moseley and child, Gotha; R. M. Bond and wife, Frank Bond and L. M. Bond, Lake Helen; Mrs. Joe Henderson, Leesburg; J. W. Perkins and wife, DeLand; L. W. Harris and wife, Key West; H. M. Cornell and S. L. Harris, Eustis; Mrs. A. W. Jackson and daughter, Cleveland, O.; C. H. Campbell and wife, T. L. Jackson, DeLand; Dr. G. A. Klock, Daytona.

E. D. Chittendon of Sanford is over for a visit with his son, Roy, clerk at the Seaside Inn.

S. C. Woodward and wife of Maitland have rented the Coquina Lodge for the remainder of the summer and are entertaining quite a number of their friends and relatives, among them Mr. Woodward's mother and sister, Miss Florence Woodward, of Umatilla.

Registered at the Breakers: J. T. Lopez, Jacksonville; J. H. Barber and wife, J. B. Turner, J. Y. Reeves and son, Crescent City; W. H. Shults and wife, Winter Park.

A party of six mortoring over from Lake county were J. T. Lovington and Allen E. Miller, Altoona; H. H.Hitchcock, Eustis; Miss Julia Sims, Altoona; Miss Vergie Busher, Umatilla, and Miss Lina Rutherford, Altoona. R. S. Johnson and Leland Hitch, Cocoa; W. S. Jones and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Whid

Both and party of five from Orlando; Miss Mary Douglas, New Smyrna; J. C. Livingston and Kenneth N. Pierson, Kissimmee; Geo. M. Powell, Jacksonville; Robert Page, Newark, N. J.; Mrs. F. T. Scruggs and son, Finch, Mrs. Eunice Ives and Miss M. E. McQuarters, Orlando; Mrs. Joseph L. Gurnsey and Frank Gurnsey and wife, Orlando.

Registered at the Daytona Beach hotel: E. L. Rowland and wife with party of six, DeLand; J. J. Ferguson and wife with party of three, DeLand; A fishing party from Tavares, W. C. Ling, B. A. Carsway, Judge H. C. Dunkin, E. S. Burleigh and A. R. Peoples, Dr. F. C. Boardman, Orlando, have been very successful the past few days, motoring down to the inlet each day and returning to the hotel in the evening. Fourteen large sea bass have been caught, none weighing less than 24 pounds. The manager of the hotel gave a fish dinner to the anglers to which 31 of their friends were invited. Five different kinds of seafood was served.

Other guests at the Daytona Beach hotel were J. W. Philips and wife, Orlando, Mrs W. L. Acron, Orlando; C. H. Howard and daughters, Misses Florida and Mary, Orlando. Mr. Howard is editor of the Orange county paper, of Orlando. Among those registered for the week end were: W. A Cobb, Newark, N. J.; W. W. Hawley, Wilmington, Del; D. Beman, New York; E. Smith, Gainesville; J. D. Morgan, Mt Dora; Mrs. A. Urquhart, Birmingham, Ala.; D.r W. Howell, Leesburg.

A motor party from Groveland, chaperoned by Mrs. E. E. Edge, will be at the Daytona Beach hotel for several days.

The Young Ladies class of the Seabreeze avenue Methodist Sunday school is proving very attractive and is growing in numbers each week, last Sunday counting 17 present. When the school moves into the basement as planned, the young ladies will have a class room which they propose converting into a reading and game room, decorating the walls and covering the floors, making it cosy and attractive. Mrs. Treadwell is teacher of this class and having had large experience in teaching young ladies she presents the lesson in a way to make it interesting and profitable.

J. L. Reed left last Friday on a business trip to Atlanta, to be gone for a couple of weeks. On his return his daughter, Miss Margaret, will accompany him.

Prospect of Long Life.

Sir Walter Scott, while traveling in Ireland, was one day accosted by a beggar. He felt he had nothing smaller than a shilling with him, gave it to the woman, with the words: "You must give me the change next time we meet." "I will, sorr," replied the beggar, "and may yer honor live till ye get it."

Surely the Limit in Gall.

The Head Barber—"Sure, Mr. Allgall, I'll lend you a dollar. Glad to help you out." Mr. Allgall—"Thanks, old man. They're having a sale of safety razors around the corner and I didn't want to miss it."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Valuable Telegraph Line.

The Borneo islands boast a telegraph line constructed of mahogany and ebony poles. This is no doubt the most valuable telegraph line in existence.

Beyond Him.

Miss Sweetthing—"When we are married we must have no secrets from each other. You must tell me everything." Mr. Saphedde—"But—er—really, I don't know everything."—Puck.

Worse Than Work.

"After a man has loafed awhile," said Uncle Eben, "he generally decides dat he'd rather go to work dan be so lonesome."

For Youth to Remember.

Sad will be the old age of the youth who forgets his father's struggles, his father's thrift, his father's God; and lets the morrow take care of itself. The world owes no man a living, but every youth owes the world a life.—Leslie's.

Must Rise Above Misfortune.

It is every man's duty to labor in his calling and not to despond for any miscarriages or disappointments that were not in his power to prevent.—L'Estrange.

Elusive Hubby.

Wife (angrily)—"Just look at the time! This morning you got home at two o'clock and here it is again after midnight." Husband—"Well, you know, m'dear, it's against my rule to come twice the same day."—Boston Transcript.

Lucky Stumble.

A man in California suddenly lost his power of speech several weeks ago. The doctors said that a vocal nerve was paralyzed. Now he has regained his speech in an equally sudden way. While carrying a bucket he stumbled and exclaimed, "Ouch," with much force. Immediately his full power of speech was restored.

DAYTONA

T. F. Williams left last Friday on a short business trip to Jacksonville and other points.

J. C. Butler and children returned last week from their sojourn at Daytona Beach and are occupying the W. H Parker cottage on West Volusia avenue.

C. R. Simonds came down from Jacksonville Saturday evening and visited his mother, Mrs. Helen D Simonds, until Sunday afternoon when he returned to the metropolis.

A request has been received from O. S. Burnett to change his copy of the Gazette-News from Anthony to Ft. Lauderdale, Mr. Burnett and family having located at that place.

Mrs. Charles Kupperbush spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Osborne who are still sojourning on the ocean beach. Mrs. Kupperbush returned to Palatka Monday morning.

Mrs. W M. Hankins and children, who had been at Weaverville, N. C., since the early part of June, returned Saturday afternoon and rejoined Mr. Hankins at their home on Ivy Lane.

Mrs. I. J. Price and children, who had been visiting relatives in Clayton, Ga., for three months past, returned Saturday afternoon and rejoined Mr. Price at their home on Second avenue.

The first rain that had fallen in this city in more than two weeks came in the form of a light but lengthy shower last Friday afternoon, the precipitation amounting to only .075 inches.

A. Van de Vorde, the cement block man, of Daytona Beach, left Monday for a brief visit to Toronto, Canada, in which business and pleasure were combined. He was accompanied by his wife and little son.

Rev. and Mrs. William Stones and and Miss Elizabeth Stones, who had been visiting Fred Stones and family for the past two weeks at their home on Bellevue avenue, will leave today or tomorrow on their return to Ovedio.

Mrs. E. F. Murdock left Saturday for Asheville, N C., where she will remain until the return of her father, J. Fitch Walker, who was recently called to Moravia, N. Y, by business which he expected would detain him for about a month.

Mrs. B. Duke Bennett and little daughter, Violet, left Saturday afternoon to join Mr. Bennett at West Palm Beach where they will in the future make their home. Mr Bennett went to Palm Beach two weeks or more ago.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar C. Dunn last Friday at "Five o'clock in the morning." Both mother and baby are doing nicely. This completes a quartet, two boys and two girls, in Mr. and Mrs. Dunn's family. Dr. Roy Howe was the attending physician.

C. J. Messing returned to his position in the Daytona postoffice last week after enjoying his annual 15 days' vacation. Mr. Mesing devoted much of his vacation period to fishing and made some very satisfactory catches at the inlet, where most of his fishing was done.

Mrs. Lester C. Mitchell arived last Friday from Hamburg, N. Y., accompanied by her little grandson, Lawrence Smith, and they are at the Harry C. Thompson home, corner Palmetto and Live Oak avenues. Mrs. Mitchell is Mrs. Thompson's mother and Lawrence is Mrs. Thompson's son.

W. H. Parker left Saturday for Seville, where he will join Mrs. Parker who had gone over the preceding Sunday with their son-in-law, J. L. Robinson, in his car. Mrs. Parker expects to be at Seville several months and Mr. Parker will be there for some time as he intends to put in a crop of Irish potatoes.

Mrs. J. E. Osteen visited her son, J D Osteen, and wife at their home on Magnolia avenue several days this week, stopping also in New Smyrna for a day or two with her brother, before returning to her home in Oak Hill Mr Osteen drove to Oak Hill in his car Sunday morning and brought his mother back with him in the afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Hutchinson and daughter, Mrs. H. H. Brittle, and children, who had been visiting relatives at Kingsboro, S. C., for a month or longer, returned last Friday and rejoined Messrs Hutchinson and Brittle at the family home on West Volusia avenue. They were accompanied by Will Hutchinson, a nephew of Mr. Hutchinson, who expects to remain here.

Mrs. M S. Kinmouth and brother, N. W Stanford, and Miss C. M. Alexander and Miss Grace English, who lingered here through the summer, in Mrs. Kinmouth's bungalow at the corner of Ridgewood avenue and South street, departed Saturday for Lake George, N. Y, and later, Asbury Park. They will return to Daytona about the first of November.

A card received Saturday from J. P. Wilcox, dated August 26, and written from Lake George, N. Y., says: "We are enjoying an auto trip through this beautiful country. All well and expect to reach Daytona last of September" Mr. Wilcox, who owns a handsome winter home on Fairview avenue, is enjoying a summer outing north, accompanied by Mrs. Wilcox and their little boy, Robert.

Debt Liquidated.

"Well, I've settled that there note I've been owin' Jack Gap for so long!" triumphantly stated a prominent citizen of the neighborhood of Rumpus Ridge. "That so?" returned another and equally prominent resident of the same locality. "Where'd you git the money?" "Aw, it didn't take no money! I just shot Gap."—Judge.

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WEATHER REPORT.

for the week ending Aug. 30, as reported by Frank J. Nordman, co-operative observer:

Temperatures

Date	Highest	Lowest	Rainfall in inches and hundredths
24	93	73	.00
25	92	73	.00
26	94	73	00
27	93	73	02
28	94	72	.05
29	93	70	.18
30	90	70	05

WEATHER FORECAST

For the week beginning Wednesday, September 1, 1915.

Issued by the United States Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C.

For South Atlantic and East Gulf States:

Generally fair weather is indicated during the week, except that showers are probable Wednesday along the South Atlantic coast, with somewhat lower temperatures; rising temperatures Wednesday over interior districts, and on Thursday and Friday generally; moderate temperatures thereafter

LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of an execution issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of Volusia County, Florida, in a suit pending in said Court, wherein D B Paxton is plaintiff and W P Simmons is defendant I have levied upon as the property of the said defendant W P Simmons and will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, in front of the Court House door at DeLand in said county, on Monday, the fourth day of October A D 1915, during the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate, towit Lots 313, 314, and 315 Block 25 Andrews' New Smyrna, 46 62 chains of N Gomez Grant W of Road, S 34 38 chains of N. Gomez Grant W. of Road, section 36, township 19, range 35

Said property will be sold to satisfy said execution in the sum of Twenty Dollars and Seventy Five Cents ($20 75) and interest and cost of proceeding thereon.

E L. SMITH,
Sheriff of Volusia County, Florida.
By GEO N. MESSINER,
Deputy Sheriff.

August 20th, 1915.

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Under and by virtue of an execution issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of Volusia County, Florida, in a suit pending in said Court wherein D. B. Paxton is plaintiff and C. A. Lowe is defendant, I have levied upon as the property of the said defendant C. A. Lowe and will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, in front of the Court House door at DeLand, in said County, on Monday, the fourth day of October, A. D. 1915, during the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate, towit NW¼ of SE¼ and NE¼ of SW¼ and E½ of NW¼ of section 12, township 17, range 33

Said property will be sold to satisfy said execution in the sum of Eight Two Dollars and Eight Cents ($82 08) and interest and cost of proceeding thereon E L SMITH,
Sheriff of Volusia County, Florida
By GEO N MESSINER,
Deputy Sheriff

August 20th, 1915

(First pb Aug 20, last pub Sep 17)

AN ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT THE RUNNING AT LARGE OF DOMESTIC FOWLS WITHIN THE INCORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEW SMYRNA, FLORIDA"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW SMYRNA, FLORIDA

Section 1 That the running at large of domestic fowls within the corporate limits of the city of New Smyrna is hereby declared a nuisance, and expressly prohibited

Section 2 Any owner of any domestic fowl or fowls who permit or permits it or them to run at large within the corporate limits, in violation of the foregoing section, shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than five dollars or imprisoned not exceeding ten days in the city jail for each offense.

Section 3. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance so and the same are hereby repealed.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall go into effect upon its final passage by the city council of the city of New Smyrna, and upon being approved by the mayor, and upon being published in the New Smyrna News for a period of thirty days.

Passed first reading July 23, 1915.
Passed second reading Aug. 3, 1915
Passed third reading Aug. 13, 1915
Adopted by the city council this 13th day of August, A. D. 1915.

M. A. BRUNSON,
President City Council.
(Attest) F. A NEWELL,
City Clerk
(SEAL)
By B. F. GREEN, Deputy Clerk
Approved by me this 15th day of August, 1915
W. H. NEWELL, Mayor.

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WILL AID FARM WORKERS

Bureau of Employment Established by Labor Department in Washington.

Washington—The United States department of labor has adopted a new method of helping employers and those who desire employment to come together. The division of information, of which T. V Powderly is the head, has a card index system by which all who are in search of employment on farms may have their names registered, with their references and a complete description of their qualifications. A bulletin will be published each week, giving lists of men who want to go to work on farms

These lists will show whether the applicant speaks English, what his experience has been, whether he wants board or is prepared to board himself, how much wages he asks and if he expects to have his transportation paid The same bulletin will also contain lists of opportunities for hired help In these lists will appear full information as to what sort of a man is desired, whether married or single, whether he is to have a house, garden, fuel, and milk, what wages will be paid, and whether children are welcome or not

In the lists, which were begun this week, a number of farmers specified that they desired to employ Belgian immigrants, but others indicated that they would be glad to get Norwegian, German, French or Flemish farm laborers Most of the places offered are for positions by the year with house, garden, fuel and milk furnished.

ENGLISH WADING STOCKINGS

The British war office, after careful experiments, has adopted a new wader stocking for the use of the troops in wet or flooded trenches. The waders are light and strong and are absolutely waterproof. They are lined with wool and are worn on the bare foot inside the army service boot. During the experiments the soldiers suffered no ill effects from long periods of immersion of the feet in icy water.

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BURGLAR BEN BOOSTS

By WALTER J. DELANEY.

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"Going to bury yourself in a dead country village?" asked Benjamin Rudd, alias Burglar Ben "It's a shame, Mr. Wilton! I'm of a discredited sort, but I'm your friend for what you've done for me, and I say it's a shame to see a man of your talent throw up the chance of a lifetime."

"Why, I've demonstrated some ability as a lawyer, haven't I?" challenged Adrian Wilton in his smiling, contented way.

"I should say so!" cried his client enthusiastically. "The papers have been full of it. 'Rising young criminal lawyer of the day!' All you've got to do is to take a big office here in the city and the clients will flock to you. That's your line. Didn't you clear me, with five of the best attorneys in the city on the other side?"

"That was because you were innocent, Ben," reminded Adrian.

"For once—by accident!" retorted the ex-burglar with a chuckle. "Anyhow, it gave me a scare and I've reformed square and straight"

At all events Adrian bade good-by to his grateful and would be helpful client and returned to Fordham Yes, the town had heard of his splendid record in the city, Nellie Wade especially, who had shown the newspaper clippings to all her friends The town, however, had half a score of veteran attorneys, lock-rooted in the estimation of the people

One morning Fordham awoke to the sensation of a half century A skillful burglar had broken into the local bank at midnight Bills of a large denomination representing $40,000 had been taken There was no definite clue to the robber or the money

At the end of a week, however, the county sheriff received a mysterious tip by telegraph It told him that the telltale handkerchief bearing the initial "R" and a false beard found in the bank belonged to a certain Benjamin Rudd and named his residence. It further stated that a Fordham restaurant keeper, if confronted with the burglar, would recognize him as a stranger with a mysterious satchel whom he had seen the evening of the burglary

Adrian Wilton lost a good deal of his faith in the reformatory process as appertaining to Burglar Ben, when the next morning he was sent for by Rudd The latter grinned at him behind strong iron bars

"Why, Ben," spoke the young lawyer, "you have fallen from grace, it seems"

"Not the man!" declared Rudd positively "I hire you to defend me. Get to work and make a record for yourself"

Burglar Ben practically directed the case He dictated the policy to pursue Adrian was amazed at his clear and forcible outline of evidence When the case came on, both his wife and child, a golden-haired little cherub of eight years, were in the court room

Adrian made good use of the evidence at his command He proved that the false beard, worn by anybody, would so obscure the natural features that later positive identification would be difficult. He showed that the initialed handkerchief might have come accidentally into the possession of some of Ben's former criminal associates. Then little Sura was placed on the stand The date at which the bank robbery was committed was her birthday Her father was at home, 200 miles away, when the crime was committed

For all this, the hard-faced farmers on the jury looked grim and prejudiced It was then that Adrian came out in full force He depicted the former life, the reformation of his client He described his changed family life He pointed to the weeping wife, to the innocent little child. Oratory, eloquence, sentiment—he swayed the audience with a master hand Women were weeping, strong men looked grave and sympathetic. The thrilling appeal moved every heart. After five minutes deliberation the jury returned its verdict—

"Not guilty!"

That evening, at the town hotel, Burglar Ben appeared at Adrian's room.

"Can I ever be tried again for this burglary?" he asked.

"No," answered Adrian.

"Then send for the president of the bank and the judge," he directed.

"Why—' began Adrian, wonderingly.

"Do as I say. Gentlemen," spoke Ben, as the persons in question were summoned, "I have a confession to make. I did not rob the bank, but I directed the robbery."

"Ha!" glared the banker.

"Yes. I did it to put on his feet my best friend, Mr Wilton. I did it to force an acknowledgment here of his great ability I got an old pal to do the job, but—there's the money, just as it left the bank," and he handed over a package to the astonished bank officer.

The latter was so delighted at getting back his lost money that he laughed gleefully as a child.

"A bright joke!" he cried

"You must be a loyal friend to Mr. Wilton to take the risk you did," remarked the judge gravely. "It was worth it, though, I guess, for he's a made man in this community."

And then Adrian hurried to Nellie to plan for the future—marriage, a good law practice, happiness, all through loyal Burglar Ben.

MEETING THE FAMILY

By GRACE REEVES.

When Sam went to his first dance and took a girl all the members of Sam's family were interested.

Sam's father joked about it, and his sister openly expressed her curiosity as to his choice. But Sam's mother was seriously disquieted. Sixteen was altogether too young for any boy to run around with a girl, she said, and she didn't know what the girl's mother could be thinking of to let her go. It just went to show what kind of family she was from. Sam's mother did hope that Sam wouldn't fall in love and think of marriage before he had started to college.

But Sam was not to be daunted. He not only took the girl to the dance, but he was so pleased with the adventure that he took her to several other dances in succession.

Sam's father continued to make jokes about it, but when Sam announced that he had asked the girl to come to tea Sunday evening his father broke an engagement that he might be there to take observations. Sam's mother was shocked.

"Come to call on you!" she exclaimed, in amazement. "Why, Sam, who ever heard of such a thing? What kind of bringing up has that girl had? Why, when I was a girl—"

"Now, mother," remonstrated Sam, "things have changed considerably since you were a girl The fellows have begun to realize that it isn't all up to the girls—they've learned that they can have the girls to tea occasionally and change the program to good advantage all around and not sponge on the girls all the time If you don't want to get tea ready just clear out and we'll have a perfectly good time getting it ourselves. For I've invited Grace and she's coming"

When Sam's mother first heard of Sam's first dance, she had been shocked that Sam called the girl "Miss Brice" Two such children! But now she was doubly shocked that in such a short time Sam had begun to call her "Grace," even in speaking of her!

So when Sam walked in Sunday afternoon with Grace, Sam's mother greeted her coolly Sam's father shook hands and laughed foolishly, as Sam thought, over the meeting His sister giggled aloud at his introduction of her as his sister Bessie It was her first experience of social forms with him Sam frowned witheringly at the entire family and led his guest into the parlor and seated her at the piano

Grace struck a few notes, and the family moved nearer to get a better view of her and incidentally to overhear any remarks that might be interesting. Sam watched them out of the corner of his eye and spoke low.

Finally his mother strolled up and sat down near the piano "Do you play 'The Maiden's Prayer'?" she asked with precision

The guest paused meditatively. "You don't mean the one that begins 'Do you get me, maid?' do you?' she asked "I don't know all the latest ones," she apologized.

Sam's mother gasped Sam grew crimson "It's something prehistoric," he murmured to Grace. "Play that rag again."

"Perhaps you know 'The Mill,' then?" continued Sam's mother, firmly, quite convinced that she didn't.

"No, I don't know that one, either," replied the girl "I did know some things from 'The Red Mill' several years ago, but I've forgotten them" She smiled in a friendly way, but she met no answering smile

"You're at high school, aren't you?" inquired the questioner "I suppose you're taking up domestic economy?"

"Oh, no," Grace laughed "I'm taking French and history and art—just three studies, you know One can't really take more if one goes in for any sort of a good time!"

"Yes?" said Sam's mother, slowly, darting an I-told-you-so glance at her husband, who had come in with Sam's sister to hear the fun. "I see. I thought as Sam said that you and he would cook supper if I had another engagement, perhaps you knew something about cooking—that perhaps you studied it."

Grace laughed "Goodness, no. He's been telling me what a good cook you are, and I'm planning on it," she said.

Sam arose, flustered. "I—I forgot something," he stammered. "Come on out with me, Grace!" He handed her hat and coat to her.

It was night when Sam returned home.

"Where's Grace?" inquired three curious voices at once.

"Aw, how do I know?" replied Sam, as he picked up a newspaper His mother's smile ceased, as he continued; "But, say, you ought to see the swell girl I'm going to take to the Alpha Pi!"

"French Before Breakfast."

Commander Evans of Antarctic fame, has proved his courage in many fields of adventure. But we doubt if he has ever given a higher proof of it than in his undertaking to lecture at the Sorbonne in French learned in 15 days. The gallant seaman is said already to speak like a native—but the French are a very polite people—save for some slight confusion of tenses. If Commander Evans has not quite come up to Toole's advertisement of "French before breakfast," he has achieved a feat which will raise the reputation of his fellow-countrymen as linguists, which does not at present stand high.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Church Notes

W. C. T. U. To Hold Meeting—

The regular meeting of the local branch of the W. C. T. U. will be held next Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of Mrs. B. F. Green A full attendance is desired.

Trinity Ladies Aid Society—

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Trinity Methodist church was held this week with Mrs. Ernie Murray as the hostess. There was a good attendance and much interest shown.

First Baptist Church—

Sunday school at 10 a. m.; sermon at 11 a. m.; B. Y. P. U. at 6 45 p. m; sermon at 7·30 p m; prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 30 p. m. All are invited to worship with us.

B. F. GREEN, Pastor.

Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church—

North Faulkner street, T. B. Lawrence, pastor.

10 a. m, Sunday school, E. L. Greer, superintendent.

11 a m, morning worship and sermon address Special music.

6 45 p m, Epworth league with a good leader. Come.

7 30 p m, preaching Special music

Wednesday evening prayer meeting Come and let us worship together

Grace Episcopal Church—

On Palmetto one block south of Canal, William L Blaker, priest in charge Order of services

Sunday

Holy Communion at 8 a m.

Morning prayer with sermon at 11 a m

Sunday school at 10 a. m.

Holy Communion

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There will be no Sunday evening service during the summer months.

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